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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1898.

Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes.

GEORGE G. WITHINGTON.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

GEORGE COPELAND,	Term expires		1901.
HENRY W. HEATH,	"	"	1900.
EVERETT E. POOL,	"	"	1899.

School Committee.

LINCOLN S. DRAKE,	Term expires		1899.
WILLIAM H. AMES,	"	"	1900.
ROBERT T. CONROY,	"	"	1901.

Road Commissioners.

JOHN J. McCARTHY,	Term expires		1899.
JOHN O. DEAN,	"	"	1900.
THOMAS F. LADD,	"	"	1901.

Board of Health.

JOHN J. McCARTHY,	Term expires		1901.
GEORGE C. BELCHER,	"	"	1900.
JOHN McFARLAND,	"	"	1899.

Constables.

THOMAS DOWNEY, SAMUEL M. RENNIE,
AMOS G. PRATT, GEORGE H. SWEET,
GEORGE F. RICE.

Fence Viewers.

EDWARD R. HAYWARD, EDWARD WELCH,
DENNIS S. BUCK.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

HENRY D. BUCK, DANIEL EDDY,
WILLARD K. GOWARD, JAMES GRANT, JR.

Surveyors of Plank and Timber.

NELSON SOULE, WALTER WELCH,
THOMAS R. MARSHALL, LABAN DRAKE.

Auditors of Accounts.

GEORGE W. KENNEDY, WILLIAM J. TWOHIG.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

CHARLES D. REED.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS.

The following report of the financial condition of the town is respectfully submitted:—

VALUATION AS ASSESSED MAY 1, 1898.

Value of real estate,	$1,931,872
" " personal estate,	2,699,632
Total valuation of assessed estate,	$4,631,504
Increase of personal estate,	$87,381
" " real estate,	16,519
Total increase,	$103,900

APPROPRIATIONS.

Support of poor,	$7,000 00
Repairs of roads and bridges,	6,000 00
Road tools,	400 00
Clearing roads of snow,	800 00
Town officers' bills,	2,200 00
Incidentals,	2,000 00
Discount on taxes,	2,800 00
Guide boards,	100 00
Teachers' salaries,	13,000 00
Fuel for schools,	1,200 00
Care of schoolhouses,	1,350 00
School supplies and sundries,	1,000 00
Amount carried forward,	$37,850 00

Amount brought forward,	$37,850 00
Schoolhouse repairs,	1,000 00
School furniture,	200 00
School text books,	800 00
Conveyance of pupils,	1,300 00
Evening school,	500 00
Harriet A. French, land damage,	50 00
Lockup (North Easton)	1,000 00
Memorial Day,	150 00
Concrete crossing,	50 00
Building Spooner street,	500 00
Widening Centre, Depot, Highland and Bay streets,	2,128 00
	$45,528 00

ASSESSMENTS.

Support of poor,	$7,000 00
Repairs of roads and bridges,	6,000 00
Road tools,	400 00
Clearing roads of snow,	800 00
Town Officers' bills,	2,200 00
Incidentals,	2,000 00
Discount on taxes,	2,800 00
Teachers' salaries,	13,000 00
Fuel for schools,	1,200 00
Care of schoolhouses,	1,350 00
School supplies and sundries,	1,000 00
Schoolhouse repairs,	1,000 00
Amount carried forward,	$38,750 00

Amount brought forward,	$38,750 00
School text books,	800 00
Conveyance of pupils,	1,300 00
Evening school,	500 00
County tax,	9,840 79
State tax,	2,730 00
Overlayings,	329 22
	$54,250 01

Rate of tax $9.00 per $1,000.
Poll tax $2.00.
Number of polls, 1,313.
" " dwellings, 989.
" " acres of land, 16,445.
" " horses, 565.
" " cows, 574.
" " swine, 84.
" " sheep, 48.
" " neat cattle other than cows, 110.
" " residents assessed on property, 931.
" " non-residents assessed on property, 233.
" " persons assessed on property, 1,164.
" " persons assessed for poll tax only, 688.

GEORGE COPELAND,
HENRY W. HEATH,
EVERETT E. POOL,
Assessors of Easton.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

INVENTORY AT ALMSHOUSE, DEC. 31, 1898.

27 tons English hay,	$432 00
11 tons meadow hay,	88 00
2 tons oat straw,	20 00
2 tons corn fodder,	18 00
2 horses,	250 00
11 cows,	440 00
1 bull,	25 00
2 yearlings,	20 00
13 swine,	105 00
125 fowls,	62 50
20 doves,	2 00
Grain,	14 60
275 baskets corn,	86 00
125 bushels potatoes,	100 00
100 bushels mangels,	25 00
15 bushels turnips,	7 50
3½ bushels beans,	6 25
675 gallons vinegar,	67 50
84 flour barrels,	8 40
20 cider barrels,	10 00
13 tons coal,	74 75
200 lbs. salt pork,	13 00
50 lbs. dried apples,	5 00
Amount carried forward,	$1,880 50

Amount brought forward,	$1,880 50
Preserves,	14 25
1 mowing machine,	40 00
1 hay tedder,	35 00
1 horse rake,	18 00
1 horse power,	40 00
1 circular saw and frame,	30 00
2 express wagons,	75 00
1 farm wagon,	35 00
1 farm wagon,	45 00
1 horse cart,	40 00
1 horse cart,	40 00
1 wood reach,	25 00
1 hay rack,	13 50
1 pung,	5 00
1 open buggy,	60 00
6 ploughs,	35 00
1 cultivator,	5 00
1 weeder,	13 00
4 harrows,	30 00
Bob sleds,	12 00
1 horse fork,	9 00
1 wheel hoe,	1 75
1 lawn mower,	3 00
1 drag,	3 00
1 grindstone,	5 00
2 carriage jacks,	2 00
2 wheelbarrows,	5 00
2 ox yokes,	10 00
1 iron scraper,	5 00
Amount carried forward,	$2,535 00

Amount brought forward,	$2,535 00
1 seed sower,	7 50
1 bench vice,	2 50
1 saw clamp,	95
2 saw sets,	1 00
Harnesses, blankets, etc.,	55 35
Other farming tools,	72 50
2 step ladders,	2 00
7 long ladders,	20 00
12 fire grenades,	10 00
3 fire extinguishers,	37 50
12 rubber buckets,	3 00
2 pair ice tongs,	1 75
1 ice chisel,	50
1 ice saw,	3 00
Scales, balances and steelyards,	6 00
Lumber,	35 00
Beds and bedding,	277 65
Household furniture,	268 30
Table linen and towels,	8 95
Wooden ware,	46 80
Tin ware,	30 09
Iron ware,	12 30
Stone ware,	6 50
Crockery and glass ware,	48 29
Knives, forks and spoons,	12 90
Groceries,	111 99
Steam heater,	275 00
Corn sheller,	5 00
200 lbs. fertilizer,	3 30
	$3,900 62

RECEIPTS AT ALMSHOUSE.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1898,	$74 78
Board,	236 39
Wood sold,	124 03
Stock "	251 89
Milk "	976 76
Vegetables "	27 80
Eggs "	10 06
Hay "	50 31
Labor,	67 80
Box logs sold,	262 42
Lumber sold,	24 00
Pasturing,	10 00
Wagon sold,	15 00
Fowls "	23 90
Hay rake "	18 00
Strawberries "	14 00
Sundries "	9 95
Keeping prisoners,	50 00
	$2,247 09
Hay, stock, etc., on hand Dec. 31, 1898,	3,900 62
	$6,147 71

EXPENDITURES AT ALMSHOUSE.

Flour,	$92 71
Crackers,	42 05
Farming tools,	169 65
Boots and shoes,	35 05
Meat,	167 05
Salt,	5 25
Grain,	528 04
Coal,	129 70
Labor,	350 80
Making cider,	5 00
Oil,	18 42
Fish,	42 91
Seed,	33 76
Stock,	141 50
Fertilizer,	39 90
Clothing and bedding,	90 75
Groceries,	307 40
Household utensils,	67 01
Soap,	18 36
Blacksmithing,	46 61
Medicine,	36 78
Tobacco,	13 60
Repairs,	76 59
Sundries,	30 25
Wood on stump,	140 00
Warden's salary,	487 50
	$3,116 64
Hay, stock, etc., on hand Dec. 31, 1897,	3,842 41
	$6,959 05

Expenditures at Almshouse,		6,959 05
Receipts at Almshouse,		6,147 71
Balance against Almshouse,		$811 34
Paid Frank W. Alger balance on account 1894,	$23 93	
James E. Trask, balance salary 1897,	50 00	
		73 93
		$885 27

INMATES OF ALMSHOUSE.

Name.	Age.	Weeks in Almshouse.
C. F. Williams,	65 years	52
Elsie French,	53 "	52
Charles M. Randall,	66 "	52
Ada M. Randall,	45 "	52
Willard H. Godfrey,	53 "	52
Constantine Kerley,	69 "	52
Lizzie B. Foley,	73 "	52
John Foley,	36 "	17
William H. French,	22 "	21
Sarah Riley,	22 "	42
George Riley,	1 "	42
Asa T. Newcomb,	68 "	12
Vernon M. Randall,	48 "	19
Maggie Cunningham,	13 "	19
Sarah J. Cunningham,	15 "	7
James D. Walker,	60 "	6
Lincoln H. Pierce,	37 "	4
William T. Baxter,	23 "	1
Whole number for the year,		18
Males,		12
Females,		6
Average number for the year,		$10\frac{34}{52}$
Discharged,		9
Died,		1
Now in Almshouse,		8
Average cost per week,		$1 46
Number of tramps,		292
Estimated cost of tramps,		58 40

EXPENSES OF POOR OUTSIDE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital,		
For John W. Marshall,	$169 46	
" Albert W. Phillips,	169 46	
" Carrie Jeppson,	169 46	
" Mary Ann Randall,	169 46	
" Frank E. Bailey,	169 46	
" Mary A. Connelly,	169 46	
" Gardner A. Allen,	11 61	
" Lena Holmblad,	31 57	
" Vernon M. Randall,	53 53	
		$1,113 47
Paid Worcester Insane Asylum,		
For Michael Coughlin,		169 46
Paid Westboro Insane Hospital,		
For Mary E. Ripley,		169 46
Paid Medfield Insane Asylum,		
For John P. O. Connell,		146 00
Paid Commonwealth State Farm,		
For Matthew H. Campion, 9 months,		109 20
For Frank Fountain,		
Paid Ann M. Richmond,		36 00
For John Sloane,		
Paid Coleman & Allen,	$60 00	
" John O. Dean & Co.,	32 00	
		92 00
For Fred Fowler's family,		
Paid F. S. Snow & Co.,		72 00
Amount carried forward,		$1,907 59

Amount brought forward,		$1,907 59
For Bridget O. Connell,		
Paid James F. Bradley,	$39 00	
" J. C. Goward,	19 00	
	———	58 00
For Mrs. Ann Downey and family,		
Paid D. J. Dineen & Co.,	$103 50	
" J. C. Goward,	12 75	
" Geo. H. Wells,	5 50	
	———	121 75
For Mrs. Michael Cunningham,		
Paid J. M. Howard & Son,	$120 00	
" John O. Dean & Co.,	10 75	
	———	130 75
For Mrs. D. J. Buckley and family,		
Paid Munroe F. Williams,	$96 00	
" John O. Dean & Co.,	6 50	
" J. C. Goward,	19 25	
	———	121 75
For Andrew J. Nillson's family,		
Paid D. J. Dineen & Co.,	$96 00	
" Dennis Donohoe,	60 00	
" J. C. Goward,	12 75	
" Town Farm,	6 50	
" Lemuel K. Wilbur,	7 50	
	———	182 75
Amount carried forward,		$2,522 59

Amount brought forward,		$2,522 59
For August Sundling's family,		
Paid H. A. Ellcock, M. D.,	$ 20 00	
" J. C. Goward,	12 75	
" James F. Bradley,	120 00	
" Oliver Ames & Sons Corp.,	14 75	
" George G. Hayes,	15 02	
		182 52
For Mrs. William F. Randall and family,		
Paid H. Y. Mitchell,	$104 00	
" Henry W. Heath,	26 00	
" John O. Dean & Co.,	6 25	
		136 25
For David A. Phillips,		
Paid Estate of Lewis F. Phillips,		48 00
For John Foley,		
Paid F. E. Tilden,		4 30
For Samuel Chapman,		
Paid Charles Carr,	$ 4 67	
" A. B. Sladen,	12 00	
" G. G. Withington & Co.,	55	
		17 22
For Maggie Cunningham,		
Paid Samuel M. Rennie,		3 00
For Mary F. Dean,		
Paid Harriet E. Williams,	$49 00	
" G. G. Withington & Co.,	95	
		49 95
Amount carried forward,		$2,963 83

Amount brought forward,		$2,963 83
For Hiram White,		
Paid A. M. Rounds, M. D.,	$19 00	
" George Copeland,	9 40	
		28 40
For Asa T. Newcomb,		
Paid from Town Treasury,	$24 00	
" G. G. Withington & Co.,	80	
		24 80
For Vernon M. Randall,		
Paid Samuel M. Rennie,	$ 6 25	
" Commonwealth,	37 71	
		43 96
For John J. Clonan's family,		
Paid Charles Carr,	$ 31 00	
" James F. Bradley,	10 00	
" J. C. Goward,	12 75	
" Oliver Ames & Sons Corp.,	130 00	
" Town Farm,	4 88	
		188 63
For Andrew Hagland's family,		
Paid Anderson & Co.,	$210 79	
" J. C. Goward,	12 75	
" Town Farm,	3 25	
		226 79
For Benjamin Dillard,		
Paid J. M. Howard & Son,	$84 00	
" John O. Dean & Co.,	9 75	
" George H. Sweet,	18 50	
" James C. Leighton,	9 00	
		121 25
Amount carried forward,		$3,597 66

Amount brought forward,		$3,597 66
For Mrs. Clara Keene,		
Paid H. Y. Mitchell,		8 25
For Edward L. Allen,		
Paid H. Y. Mitchell,	$ 7 00	
" George Copeland,	12 00	
	———	19 00
For Norman E. Ellison's family,		
Paid George H. DeWitt,	16 00	
" H. Y. Mitchell,	35 00	
" Henry W. Heath,	9 38	
" City of Brockton,	5 16	
	———	65 54
For Henry D. James and family,		
Paid Elmer C. Packard,	$ 5 90	
" City of Brockton,	62 28	
" J. W. Shaw & Co.,	5 00	
	———	73 18
For Mrs. John Kerley,		
Paid W. O. Drake,	$50 00	
" Hutchinson & Kimball,	15 40	
	———	65 40
For Margaret Harrigan,		
Paid A. B. Sladen,	$48 00	
" Charles Carr,	12 00	
	———	60 00
For Mrs. Ellen Welch,		
Paid Oliver Ames & Sons Corp.,	$48 00	
" J. C. Goward,	6 50	
	———	54 50
Amount carried forward,		$3,893 53

Amount brought forward,		$3,893 53
For Allen Brothers,		
Paid Swift Bros.,		75 00
For Mrs. James McGinty,		
Paid H. Y. Mitchell,		52 00
For Eben Eddy's children,		
Paid George H. Wells,	$ 3 65	
" H. Y. Mitchell,	29 00	
" City of Brockton,	3 06	
" George L. Kimball,	16 18	
		51 89
For Michael Kelliher's family,		
Paid J. C. Goward,		6 25
For Mrs. Timothy Healey,		
Paid J. C. Goward,	$6 25	
" D. J. Dineen & Co.,	8 00	
		14 25
For Florence N. Holmes,		
Paid Town Farm,	$3 25	
" John O. Dean & Co.,	3 38	
		6 63
For John E. Lincoln,		
Paid Stoughton,		31 44
For N. B. Lincoln,		
Paid Stoughton,		47 83
For Lewis D. Leonard's family,		
Paid Avon,		41 90
For Mrs. Melinda Lincoln,		
Paid Stoughton,		47 38
Amount carried forward,		$4,268 10

Amount brought forward,		$4,268 10
For Walter H. Peck and family,		
Paid Bridgewater,		60 00
For Alfred Lincoln and family,		
Paid Mansfield,		95 47
For Helen Blood,		
Paid City of Boston,		33 00
For Abby Ripley,		
Paid Plymouth,		48 00
For James D. Walker,		
Paid City of New Bedford,		82 00
For Hannah Fitzgibbons,		
Paid City of Boston,		3 50
For John J. Rehill and family,		
Paid City of Brockton,		13 50
For Warren F. Smith,		
Paid City of Boston,		10 50
For Arthur Kerley and family,		
Paid City of Lynn,		8 00
For John M. Hultin,		
Paid City of Brockton,		20 00
For Mrs. Mary Manning and family,		
Paid City of Fall River,		66 09
For Mary Cunningham,		
Paid City of Fall River, 1897,	$30 00	
" " " " " 1898,	83 60	
		113 60
For Mrs. Henry A. White and family,		
Paid City of Taunton,		112 77
Amount carried forward,		$4,934 44

Amount brought forward,		$4,934 44
For Mrs. Michael McDavitt and family,		
Paid City of Brockton,		12 00
For Mrs. Olivia Anderson and family,		
Paid City of Brockton,		20 00
For Ann and Elizabeth Dollard,		
Paid City of Brockton,		143 23
For Frank W. Peck and family,		
Paid Plympton,		277 43

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS AND STATE.

For Sidney W. Parker, Brockton,		
Paid A. B. Sladen,		3 00
Gilbert Bradford Leonard, State,		
Paid Chas. Washburn,	$2 00	
" Daniel Washburn,	3 00	
" Frank S. Howard,	9 00	
		14 00
For Mrs. Blanche L. Rounds and child, Plymouth,		
Paid D. J. Dineen & Co.,	$ 5 75	
" Town Farm,	17 88	
" Oliver Ames & Sons Corp.,	2 50	
		26 13
For Fred L. Williamson, Marshfield,		
Paid F. E. Tilden, M. D.,	$ 5 00	
" H. Y. Mitchell,	5 00	
" George H. Wells,	10 75	
" G. G. Withington & Co.,	1 25	
		22 00
Amount carried forward,		$5,452 23

Amount brought forward,		$5,452 23
For Lewis D. Leonard, State,		
Paid Avon,		10 48
For Marcus E. Jones, Lancaster,		
Paid Town of Easton rent,		36 00
For George Hedderig, State,		
Paid George L. Kimball,		33 00
For Mrs. William Briggs, Hopedale,		
Paid George E. Keith,		75 04
For Mrs. Aroline Britton, Plympton,		
Paid F. E. Tilden, M. D.,	$13 00	
" J. M. Howard & Son,	38 00	
		51 00
For William E. Washburn, Norton,		
Paid F. E. Tilden, M. D.,	$20 00	
" H. Y. Mitchell,	14 00	
		34 00
For Wallace Britton, Stoughton,		
Paid W. C. Whiting M. D.,		11 75
For William T. Baxter, Falmouth,		
Paid Frank S. Howard,	$10 00	
" D. L. Randall, M. D.,	4 00	
" Town Farm,	14 00	
		28 00
		$5,781 50

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid George N. Blanchard, for relief,	$17 25	
" Cyrus A. Freeman's family for relief,	97 50	
" Charles F. Lothrop, for relief,	13 00	
" William D. Higgin's family, for relief,	98 65	
" Howard W. Phillips, for relief,	72 50	
" Charles E. Miller, for relief,	2 00	
" Mrs. Charles E. Miller, for relief,	106 97	
	———	407 87

MILITARY AID.

Alfred Lincoln,	$88 00

Appropriation for poor,	$7,000 00	
Received and due from other towns and State,	393 45	
Received from Frank E. Bailey,	80 94	
	———	7,474 39

Paid for poor outside Almshouse,	$5,781 50	
Balance against Almshouse,	811 34	
Paid on account Almshouse, 1894,	23 93	
" " " " 1897,	50 00	
Amount carried forward,	$6,666 77	

Amount brought forward,	$6,666 76	
Paid Medical attendance to poor,	150 00	
" Soldiers' relief,	407 87	
" Military Aid,	88 00	
		7,312 64
Unexpended balance,		$161 75

GEORGE COPELAND,
HENRY W. HEATH,
EVERETT E. POOL,
Overseers of the Poor.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

TOWN OFFICERS BILLS.

GEORGE COPELAND,		
Services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of poor,	$400 00	
Postage and other cash expenses,	23 15	
Conveyance,	34 50	
		$457 65
HENRY W. HEATH,		
Services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor,	304 25	
Cash expenses,	12 58	
Conveyance,	45 30	
		362 13
EVERETT E. POOL,		
Services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor,	393 00	
Cash expenses,	19 26	
Conveyance,	42 32	
		459 58
GEORGE G. WITHINGTON,		
Services as town clerk, treasurer, and registrar of voters,		350 00
A. MORTON HAYWARD,		
Services as registrar of voters,		50 00
Amount carried forward,		$1,674 36

Amount brought forward,	$1,674 36
JULIUS D. ATWOOD,	
Services as registrar of voters,	50 00
GEORGE A. LACKEY,	
Services as registrar of voters,	50 00
LINCOLN S. DRAKE,	
Services as school committee,	50 00
ROBERT T. CONROY,	
Services as school committee,	50 00
JOHN O. DEAN,	
Services and expenses as road commissioner,	125 00
JOHN J. MCCARTHY,	
Services and expenses as road commissioner,	75 00
THOMAS F. LADD,	
Services and expenses as road commissioner,	55 00
THOMAS DOWNEY,	
Services as constable,	25 50
SAMUEL M. RENNIE,	
Services as constable,	39 00
A. GRANVILLE PRATT,	
Services as constable,	4 00
GEORGE W. KENNEDY,	
Services as auditor,	10 00
WILLIAM J. TWOHIG,	
Services as auditor,	10 00
	$2,217 86

ON ACCOUNT OF SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

HARRIET A. FRENCH,		
Paid land damages,		$50 00
MEMORIAL DAY,		
Paid,		150 00
UNION SCHOOLHOUSE,		
Paid Geo. H. DeWitt, repairs,		100 00
Received from insurance,	100 00	
LOCKUP, NO. EASTON,		
Paid Geo. H. DeWitt on account,		1,000 00

ON ACCOUNT OF LIQUOR CASES.

Balance of appropriation on hand January 1st, 1898,		$336 00
Paid H. J. Fuller, legal services,	$85 00	
Thomas Downey for legal services,	67 50	
George F. Rice for legal services,	44 70	
		197 20
Unexpended,		$138 80

ON ACCOUNT OF INCIDENTALS.

TOWN HALL,		
Paid John H. Utton, janitor,	$10 00	
" Andrew M. Lee, painting,	56 80	
" Henry Howard, carpentering,	2 83	
		$69 63
Amount carried forward,		$69 63

Amount brought forward,		$69 63
TOWN WELLS,		
Paid Henry L. Howard,	$0 50	
" William E. Washburn,	75	
		$1 25
PRINTING,		
Paid P. M. Leavitt, town reports,	$165 00	
" Thos. Groom & Co., tax notices,	8 00	
" Alfred Mudge & Son, voting lists,	68 50	
" Easton Bulletin, Assessors' lists,	22 00	
		263 50
HALL LAND DAMAGE CASE,		
Paid ½ expense of jury view,	$4 80	
" witness fees,	8 20	
" surveying and plans,	25 75	
" jury award for damages,	147 13	
" plaintiff's costs,	82 29	
" H. J. Fuller, legal services,	80 15	
		348 32
WASHBURN DAMAGE CASE,		
Paid ½ expense of jury view,	$5 00	
" witness fees,	2 40	
" surveying and plans,	12 25	
" H. J. Fuller, legal services,	109 15	
		128 80
Amount carried forward,		$811 50

Amount brought forward,		$811 50
OFFICE EXPENSES OF THE TOWN CLERK, TREASURER AND COLLECTOR,		
Cash and office expenses,	$50 74	
Conveyance,	16 75	
Administering oaths,	8 75	
Physicians and midwives for birth returns,	22 75	
Paying State Aid,	20 49	
Collecting District Tax,	63 64	
		318 12
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS, ETC.		
Paid E. R. Hayward, 8 mos, at $25	$200 00	
" " " " 4 " " 12 50	50 00	
		250 00
Wm. N. Howard, moderator, town meeting,		10 00
Chas. S. Packard, distributing town reports,		2 00
N. Y. & B. Despt. Ex. Co., expressage		8 35
S. W. S. Howard, rubber stamps,		2 90
Keeping prisoners in lock-up, town farm,		50 00
Insurance premiums,		102 08
Extra police July 3rd and 4th,		35 00
Samuel M. Rennie, truant officer,		75 00
A. Granville Pratt, truant officer,		6 00
Surveying Church St. Cemetery,		2 00
Election officers,		84 00
Amount carried forward,		$1,621 95

Amount brought forward,		$1,621 95
Preparing booths for election, Lewis H. Smith,		2 00
Building platform for election, Geo. H. DeWitt,		1 75
Printing for Board of Health, Easton Bulletin,		1 25
H. J. Fuller, legal services,		40 60
Death returns, Howard Clark & Co.,	$1 50	
" " Chas. L. McCann,	6 75	
" " Frank S. Howard,	8 00	
		16 25
Releading monument, Fred Hanson,		11 50
Sealer of Weights and measures, Chas. D. Reed,		25 00
		$1,720 30

We recommend to appropriate:

Support of poor,	$7,000 00
Roads and bridges,	4000 00
Clearing roads of snow,	800 00
Town officers' bills,	2,200 00
Incidentals,	2,000 00
Discount on taxes,	2.800 00

For Schools, etc., see School Committee's report.

TRUSTEES' REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE SPECIAL FUND.

Dr.

To deposit in No. Easton Savings Bank, of balance on hand Jan'y 1st, 1898,	$567 75	
Accrued interest on same to Dec. 31st, 1898,	22 92	
		$590 67

Cr.

Paid Geo. C. Belcher, care cemetery lots, 1898,	$6 25
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1898,	$584 42

TRUSTEES' REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE GENERAL FUND.

Dr.

To 10 Town of Attleboro Water Bonds,	$10,000 00	
Accrued interest on same,	400 00	
Deposit in No. Easton Savings Bank,	698 56	
Accrued interest on same,	28 20	
		$11,126 76
Amount carried forward,		$11,126 76

Amount brought forward,		$11,126 76
	Cr.	
Paid Security Safe Deposit for rent of safe,	$10 00	
Paid Willis B. Drew on account of labor on Church St. Cemetery,	400 00	
10 Town of Attleboro Water Bonds	10,000 00	
Deposit in North Easton Savings Bank,	716 76	
		$11,126 76

GEORGE COPELAND,
HENRY W. HEATH,
EVERETT E. POOL,
Selectmen of Easton.

LIST OF JURORS

As made by the Selectmen.

Andrew B. Anderson,
Stone Mason.

John E. Blake,
Postmaster.

Marshall D. J. Buck,
Farmer.

Eustace K. Clapp,
Shoemaker.

Charles F. Chase,
Engineer.

Lorenzo B. Crockett,
Engineer.

Thomas Conroy,
Shovelmaker.

Willis B. Drew,
Heel Manufacturer.

George T. Drake,
Painter.

John J. Danahy,
Shoemaker.

Abbott L. Drake,
Foundryman.

Charles K. Dailey,
Farmer.

John A. Eak,
Stone Mason.

P. William Fecto,
Retired.

George W. Ghen,
Foundryman.

George E. Geddes,
Melter.

Lucius Howard,
Farmer.

Parsons O. Hardy,
Painter.

George G. Hayes,
Butcher.

Charles Hagg,
Shovelmaker.

Augustus Hopkins,
Shoemaker.

James H. Hurst,
Clerk.

Edward C. Jenney,
Farmer.

Frank P. Keith,
Clerk.

Thomas B. Keith,
Farmer.

August Ledin,
Trader.

Daniel J. Lyons,
Farmer.

Jeremiah A. Lyons,
Shoemaker.

Isaac L. Miller,
Carpenter.

Thomas R. Marshall,
Farmer.

Edward F. Manning,
Foundryman.
John McFarland,
Florist.
Joseph L. Newcomb,
Farmer.
John J. O'Connor,
Trader.
Patrick O'Connor,
Shovelmaker.
Everett E. Pool,
Clerk.
Frederick Packard,
Shoemaker.
E. William Randall,
Retired.
Samuel S. Ryder,
Fish Dealer.
Howard L. Swift,
Trader.
Lewis H. Smith,
Jeweler.
Allen O. Wade,
Shoemaker.
Frank Wills,
Moulder.
George H. Wells,
Clerk.
William M. Wills,
Foundryman.
J. Warren Willis,
Foundryman.
Chase A. Wheaton,
Carriage Maker.
Walter Welch,
Moulder.

LIST OF JURORS DRAWN IN 1897.

Alfred F. Pratt,
Julius D. Atwood.
James B. Manning,
Charles Anderson,
Thomas Bean,
Charles Kilgour,
Henry D. Newton,
Norman A. Ghen,
Hugh Curran,

TOWN WARRANT.

BRISTOL, ss.

To either of the Constables in the town of Easton, in the County of Bristol, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Easton, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Easton, on Monday, the sixth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles: —

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Road Commissioners, School Committee and Superintendent of Schools.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year, and to see if the town will vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. The vote must be by separate ballot, and must be "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question; Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

ART. 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ART. 5. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to pay for conveying such scholars residing outside of District No. 7, as may wish to attend the High School at North Easton.

Art. 6. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 7. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors presented by the Selectmen.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for Memorial Day, the same to be expended under the direction of Post 52, G. A. R.

Art. 9. To see if the town will authorize the removal of the wall recently placed on land of Miss Hannah C. Tibbetts, on Centre street, at Easton Centre, at the time said street was widened, and make compensation for the damages incurred in the premises.

Art. 10. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to pay Miss Hannah C. Tibbetts a sum of money in addition to the award already made for damages caused by the widening of Centre street at Easton Centre.

The Polls will open at ten o'clock A. M. and may be closed at two o'clock P. M.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN EASTON IN 1898.

DATE		NAME OF CHILD.	SEX	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Jan	10	Elsie Johanna Johnson.....	F	John N. and Hannah M.
"	12	Henry Hudson Robinson.....	M	Harry J. and Inez M.
"	14	Abby Buckley	F	Cornelius and Margaret.
"	18	Blanche McDonald.....	F	Edward and Nellie F.
"	20	Lucy Caroline Allen.....	F	Gardner A.and Josephine M.
"	27	Vincent Campbell Leroy.....	M	John and Mary E.
"	27	Anna Gustava Range.....	F	Oscar and Selina.
"	28	Ruth Marion Sackett.....	F	John A. and Nettie L.
"	30	Carl William Holmes.....	M	Oscar C. and Ida C.
Feb.	3	Andrew Smith.....	M	Andrew and Mary.
"	3	——— Waldgren	F	Elof and Helen.
"	9	Esther Maria Nyberg..	F	Gustaf and Hulda.
"	11	Raymond Henry Foyle.....	M	Henry E. and Sarah M.
"	14	Rose Lillian Rice.....	F	William H. and Estelle J.
"	15	Helding Fride Anderson.....	M	Sven Eric and Sophia.
"	16	Mary Barrett.....	F	James and Catherine.
"	16	Mildred Anna Flannagan.....	F	Matthew and Mary.
"	22	George James Allen Conn....	M	Fergus and Mary Jane.
"	24	Alice Lucile Morse.....	F	Alfred B. and Julia A.
"	28	Jonathan Johnson.....	M	Erving B. and Margaret E.
March	1	Helen K. Howard.....	F	Wilmarth P. and Mary L.
"	2	Anna Elizabeth Larsson.....	F	John and Emma.
"	8	John Joseph Costello.....	M	John J. and Margaret M.
"	12	Ethel Peterson.....	F	John and Ida.
"	16	(Stillborn.).....	F	
"	18	John Elmer Johnson.....	M	John and Emma.
"	20	Andrew Reinhold Hagland...	M	Andrew and Anna B.
"	31	Dorothea May Smith.....	F	William M. and Eliza S.
"	31	Edgar Winfred Watts.....	M	James W. and Emma.
April	7	Anders Emery Benander.....	M	Anders M. and Hilda A.
"	11	Alice O'Connor.....	F	Jeremiah and Mary J.
"	18	Margaret Clonan.....	F	John J. and Catherine F.
"	22	Louise Annette Anderson.....	F	John and Alma.
"	29	Adelbert Augustus Phillips....	M	Adelbert and Mary E.
May	4	Mary Desmond.....	F	Michael and Julia.
"	4	William Keyes.....	M	Michael F. and Mary E.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN EASTON IN 1898.—*Continued.*

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX	NAMES OF PARENTS.
May 5	Mary Adelaide Shepard.....	F	George E. and Mary E.
" 8	Roy Lincoln Howard.....	M	Fred L. and Clara L.
" 8	William Vincent Lynch	M	Michael and Mary.
" 13	Eveline Arville Randall.....	F	Lawrence and Flora.
" 16	Hattie Cruickshank.....	F	James and Maggie W.
" 17	Lawrence Francis Beale.....	M	Oliver and Theresa F.
" 19	Anthony McAnar.....	M	Anthony and Ellen.
" 22	Charles E. Lundgren.....	M	Alfred and Julia.
" 22	Alfred G. Lundgren.....	M	Alfred and Julia.
" 24	Catherine Sheehan.....	F	John T. and Catherine.
" 25	Robert Lambert Jones.....	M	Robert P. and Bertha A.
June 6	Wallace McArthur	M	William and Mary.
" 7	Stella Eunice White.....	F	Luther M. and Minnie.
" 8	Madeline May Randall.....	F	Arthur E. and Ella L.
" 9	Ruth Esther Swanstrom.....	F	Herman and Alma.
" 13	Michael Anthony Nolan.....	M	John and Elizabeth.
" 19	Mary Ellen McKenna.....	F	Patrick J. and Ellen.
" 25	Ellis Andrew David Nickerson	M	Andrew and Matilda.
" 27	Albina Mariana Eliason.....	F	Albert C. and Anna M.
" 27	Harold Edwin Anderson.....	M	Andrew E. and Ida P.
July 2	Herbert August Vitalis Ledin.	M	August and Johanna.
" 2	Harriet Luella Phillips.....	F	Orin C. and Jane
" 4	Evan Leonus Anderson.....	M	Charles A. and Sofia J.
" 5	Helen Kernan Murphy.....	F	John F. and Nellie M.
" 9	John Linehan.....	M	John J. and Nora F.
" 14	(Stillborn).....	F	
" 20	Rose Alphild Lindmark.....	F	Oscar and Anna.
" 23	David Ross Sargent.....	M	James and Rachel.
August 6	Geo. Arnold Reinhold Hanson	M	Henning and Emma.
" 18	Abby Cecilia Burns.....	F	Michael J and Johanna.
" 19	Harriet Wellington Britton....	F	Frank L. and Sarah A.
" 24	Jennie Helena Ingoberg Hagg	F	Sven and Josephine.
" 25	Clara Maria Gustava Swanson.	F	Simon A. and Anna J.
" 28	Berenice Adelia Marshall.....	F	George A. and Adelia
" 29	Nellie Marianna Elizabeth Quist	F	John W. and Matilda.
" 31	Mary Elizabeth Welch.....	F	Walter and Sarah J.
Sept. 1	Erma Wilhelmina Burgess....	F	William A. and Alice M.
" 13	Gladys Louise Moses.....	F	Melbourne and Margaret.
" 15	Harold Austin Rohdin.....	M	John A. and Ellen J.
" 15	Catherine Maloy.....	F	Michael F. and Elizabeth F.
" 17	Stanley Freeman Rice.....	M	Warren S. and Alice L
" 23	Herbert Frederick Dahlborg..	M	Gustaf and Christina.
" 24	Thomas Derby.....	M	Patrick F and Mary E.
" 26	George Leroy Pierce.....	M	George and Mary.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN EASTON IN 1898.—*Continued.*

DATE	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Sept. 27	Lucy Etta Taylor	F	James B. and Sarah J.
" 28	William Gregory McDermott	M	William P. and Ida M.
" 28	Susan May Packard	F	William H. and Susan.
Oct. 3	Leighton Evans	M	M. Arthur and Lilla A.
" 7	Harriet Matilda Harlow	F	Tisdale J. and Ada K.
" 13	William Healey	M	Edward J. and Mary J.
" 13	Josephine Dineen	F	Cornelius J. and Nellie G.
" 20	Charles Walter Tonnell	M	Charles H. and Alma C.
" 21	Edward W. McLeod	M	William and Persis.
" 21	Sadie Margaret McPherso	F	John and Minnie.
" 23	Minnie Victoria Dahlborg	F	Albert and Mary.
Nov. 2	Levera Maud Oliver	F	William and Maud E.
" 5	Carl Bjalmer Emanuel Holm	M	John P. and Matilda.
" 9	——— Silva	M	Joseph and Maria
" 14	Frank Perry Gifford	M	Horace G. and Charlotte E.
" 17	Edmund Downey	M	Thomas and Nellie M.
" 17	Eben Frederick Twitchell	M	Lawson B. and Lillian J.
" 18	Lars Tagner Larsson	M	August and Anna P.
" 25	Raymond Eugene Harvey	M	Charles A. and Alice C.
" 29	Florence Eveline Lothrop	F	Charles C. and Maude,
" 30	Carl Herman Sandgren	M	John and Anna.
" 30	Elmer Edwin Bjorkland	M	John and Caroline
Dec. 1	Ethel May Herrick	F	Frederick and Ellen M.
" 5	Laurence Elwood Hollingsworth	M	Walter and Agnes.
" 7	Ernest Joel Bergland	M	Andrew and Matilda.
" 10	Anna Gildea	F	Jeremiah and Anna.
" 15	Thomas Mulligan	M	Michael J. and Mary T.
" 19	Doris May Washburn	F	William E. and Ella.
" 29	(Stillborn)	F	

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN EASTON IN 1898.

DATE.		NAMES AND RESIDENCES.
Jan.	20.	Jeremiah F. Dacey, of Dorchester, and Margaret E. McGlincy, of Easton.
"	25.	Thomas H. McCarthy, of Brockton, and Josephine F. Barton, of Easton.
Feb.	9.	John R. Field and Myra L Morse, both of Easton.
April	9.	Carl Gustaf Johnson and Augusta Amalia Nilsson, both of Easton.
"	19.	Charles P. McMullen and Annie M. Keyes, both of Easton.
"	28.	Nicholas Downey, of Easton, and Nora Buckley, of Brockton
May	14.	Simon Swanson and Anna G. Range, both of Easton.
"	26.	Fred T. Congdon, of Easton, and Ida F. Wood of W. Bridgewater
June	1.	Frederic A. Whitman, of Medford, and Mabel Mowry, of Easton.
"	7.	John J. Hennessey, of Brockton, and Bridget E. Harken, of Easton.
"	14.	James Downey and Sarah Cotter, both of Easton.
"	30.	Albert L. Williams and Ellen O'Connell, both of Easton.
"	30.	Jeremiah A. Lyons and Ellen F. Linnehan, both of Easton.
July	1.	Henry S. Robinson, of Attleboro, and Ella H. Davis, of Somerset
"	12.	Timothy Cotter, of Easton, and Mary Powers of Taunton.
"	25.	Frederick Herrick and Ellen Maria Newcomb, both of Easton.
August	17.	George Arthur Smith and Susie Thompson Howard, both of Easton.
"	24.	Webster Winslow Bolton, of Easton, and Mabel E. Bailey, of Norton.
Sept.	19.	Harry E. Phillips and Nellie Jones, both of Easton.
"	28.	Archy Leon Vittum, of Laconia, N. H , and Lena A. Soule, of Easton

Oct.	8	William P. Malley, of Sharon, and Lillian May Litchfield, of Easton.
"	9.	Frederick P. Grant, of Easton, and Martha Washburn, of Norton.
"	19.	Charles E. Lashure, of Taunton, and Sarah W. Pratt, of Plymouth.
"	26.	Thomas J. Kenney and Eliza J. McHugh, both of Easton.
Nov.	2.	Lyman W. Heath and Ellen M. Hogg, both of Easton.
"	5.	Edward Poulson, of Easton, and Annie Johnson, of Brockton.
"	5.	Emil Peterson and Anna Peterson, both of Easton.
"	12.	Charles Oscar Dahl, of Easton, and Hilma S. Johnson, of Brockton.
"	23.	Edward J. Sweet, of Mansfield, and Jennie B. Geddes, of Easton.
"	24.	William R. McDonald and Margaret E. Mahoney, both of Easton.
"	24.	William Henry Corley of Easton, and Alice I. Doherty, of Taunton.
Dec.	24.	John A. S. Birnie and Nancy Jane Webster, both of Easton.
"	24.	Archy Otis Snow and Gertrude E. Lowell, both of Easton
"	24.	Charles E. Washburn and Sarah Riley, both of Easton.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN EASTON, IN 1898.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Years.	Months.	Days.	
Jan. 2	Jeremiah T. Sweeney,	27	6	2	Pulm. Tuberculosis
" 3	Mauritz Hultin,	27	8	6	Septicemia
" 7	Margaret Linehan,	65			Inanition
" 18	Andrew Hagland,	38	3	17	Croupous Pneumonia
" 19	Martha B. Howard,	88		3	Paralysis
" 24	Mary Franklin,	79		24	Valv. Disease of Heart
" 28	Caroline J. Kennedy,	65	9	27	Biliary Obstruction
Feb. 3	James Dineen,		11	27	Tubercular Meningitis
March 10	Catherine Jeppson,	63	5	8	Cancer
" 14	Robert W. Birnie,	58	7	10	Pneumonia
" 15	William A. Randall,	81	5	27	Carcinoma & Erysipelas
" 19	John Joseph Clonan,	36			Croupous Pneumonia
" 20	Patrick F. Riordan,	27			Accidentally Inhal. Gas
" 21	Annie M. DeWitt,	5	2	20	Convulsions
" 27	Josiah F. Coward,	65	8	8	Dilatation of Heart
" 28	Charles Sylvester,	2	4	11	Tubercular Meningitis
" 31	Michael Kelleher,	41			Pneumonia
April 2	William H. Packard,	41	10	6	Phthisis Pulm.
" 2	Gerald L. B. Webster,	18	4	5	Pneumonia
" 5	Mary McMullen,	63			Heart Disease
" 5	Levi F. French,	65	6	11	Bright's Disease
" 10	Merrill H. Ladd,		3	20	Convulsions
" 14	Francis Monehan,		4	4	Cerebral Meningitis
" 24	Achsa Hanscom,	71	3	18	Heart Disease
May 2	Eva Anderson,	74	5	2	Nephritis
" 6	Michael Lordan,	28	3	26	Fracture of Neck
" 8	Nora M. Kelleher,	23		4	Phthisis Pulm.
" 15	Alfred Lundgren,	33	4	23	Croupous Pneumonia
" 17	Francis E. Whitten,	54	9	16	Suicide by Shooting
" 24	Flora C. Packard,	51	9	9	Cancer
" 29	Alfred G. Murray,	12	2	9	Cerebral Tumor
" 31	Helen G. McEvoy,	4	6	28	Pericarditis & Pleuritis
June 13	Emma A. Hopkins,	63	4	6	Valv. Heart Disease
" 14	Cecilia Johnson,	63	10	17	Chronic Gastritis
" 16	Jane C. Miller,	53	7	1	Cancer
July 3	Edward Fogoe,	30			Appendicitis
" 13	Walter C Herring,	22		12	Phthisis Pulm.
" 15	Charles T. Manning,	39	2	15	Heart Disease
" 23	Sarah E. Frost,	67	9		Heart Disease
" 25	Willie Baxter,	24			Chronic Laryngitis
" 29	Margaret E. Galvin,	24	2	14	Phthisis Pulm
" 29	Vernon M. Randall,	58			Chronic Dementia

DEATHS REGISTERED IN EASTON IN 1898.—*Continued.*

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Years.	Months.	Days.	
August 2	Patrick I. Moore,	60			Chronic Nephritis
" 9	Thomas Morris,	67	11		Chronic Nephritis
" 22	William F. Staples,	71	11	12	Valv. Heart Disease
Sept. 1	Carl Emil Lundgren,		3	12	Inanition
" 3	Alfred Hjalmar Lundgren,		3	14	Inanition
" 5	James D Burns,	58			Nephritis
" 8	Joseph Coney,		3	8	Entero-Colitis
" 8	Ann Clark,	63	8	14	Uræmia & Hemaplegia
" 9	Margaret Clonan,		4	22	Tubercular Meningitis
" 12	Frederick P. Case,	85	6	25	Bright's Disease
" 21	Mary E. McCann;	42			Valv. Disease of Heart
" 21	Esther M. Sandgren,		10	21	Enteritis
" 25	Wallace F. McArthur,		3	19	Cerebral Meningitis
" 28	John Fitzgerald,	51	2	12	Cerebral Hemorrhage
" 30	Albert Hayward,	88	7	14	Pulm Congestion
Oct. 9	Joseph P. O'Keefe,	47	2	21	Cerebral Hemorrhage
" 14	Mary Conroy,	69			Organic Heart Disease
" 14	Andrew Smith,	28			Tuberculosis
" 15	Dennis Quill,	60			Phthisis Pulm.
" 22	Cornelius A. O'Connell,	30	6	23	Heart Disease
" 25	Martha Littlefield,	86	9	25	Pneumonia
Nov. 15	Hester A. Fitton,	66	6	2	Angina Pectoris
" 21	Bella Davidson,			1	Inanition
" 23	Gardner H. White,	70	7	11	Pistol Shot
" 27	Cornelia M. Mitchell,	63	9		Drowning
Dec. 4	Daniel J. Mahoney,	28	6	28	Phthisis Pulm
" 7	Grace J. Rollins,	42	5	24	Chronic Nephritis
" 15	James J. Donovan,	65			Pneumonia
" 16	Rose Diamond,	57			Carcinoma
" 22	Timothy J. Sullivan,	6	7	7	Croupous Laryngitis
" 27	Minnie V. Dahlborg,		2	4	Bronchitis
" 29	Jacob Truax,	65	6		Pneumonia
" 30	Leavitt L. Berry,	67	10	16	Pulm. Congestion
" 31	Bradford G. Leonard,	75			Influenza

OWNERS AND KEEPERS OF DOGS

LICENSED IN EASTON IN 1898.

Adams, John E.
Ahern, James.
Albee, D. E.
Alger, Frank W. (2)
Alger, Horace H. (3)
Alger, Nathan J.
Allen, Edward L.
Ames, Wm. H. (2)
Ames, Oliver (kennel)
Ames, Hobart. (kennel)
Ames, Anna C. (kennel)
Anderson, Olof.
Anderson, Andrew B.
Anderson, Andrew F.
Anderson, A. P.
Archer, M. Osgood.
Ashley, Herbert C. (2)
Atwood, Samuel.

Barton, W. W.
Barton, Geo. H.
Barton, Dollie.
Baldwin, John.
Basey, Samuel.
Bassett, Joseph.
Benson, Lars.
Bent, Harold D.
Beatty, Thomas.
Belcher, Geo. C.
Belcher, Edgar F.
Belcher, Frank. (2)
Blake, John E.
Blake, James M.
Boggs, Benjamin D.
Brisbin, William.
Bradley, Frank.
Burgess, William A.
Butler, Michael.
Buck, Henry D.
Burns, John.
Buckley, James.
Butler, Jeremiah.

Carr, Frank.
Carr, Henry.
Carr, Charles.
Callahan, Eugene J.
Callahan, John F.
Cahill, James.
Carpenter, David S.

Chaffin, William L.
Christian, John.
Chapman, Samuel.
Clements, Ethel P.
Costello, Patrick.
Cotter, Cornelius.
Coldwell, Charles S.
Coughlin, Dennis.
Copeland, George.
Copeland, C. G.
Conley, Minnie F.
Conlan, Emma.
Cook, M. A. (3)
Connell, Charles W.
Connell, Fred.
Cruickshank, James.
Cruickshank, Edward.
Cramer, Jeremiah. (2)
Cunningham, John E.
Curran, Hugh F.
Currivan, Michael F.

Dailey, William.
Dailey, Cornelius.
Dailey, Charles K.
Dana, Nettie G.
Day, Oliver A.
Dean, John O. (2)
Dean, Jessie A.
Dean, James E.
Dean, Nelson C.
Derby, William A.
DeWitt, George H.
Dineen, Daniel J.
Dickerman, Albert S.
Donovan, James P.
Donahue, Daniel P.
Donahue, Thomas.
Drew, Henry F.
Drake, William E.

Eak, John E.
Eddy, Daniel J.
Eddy, Frank.
Erving, William.
Erving, William G.

Fisher, Edward N.
Fisher, Peter.
Field, John R.
Flynn, John.
Fox, Solomon.
French, A. G.

Galligan, B. F.
Garchner, Wilmarth L.
Galvin, Timothy.
Galvin, John J.
Gerdes, George, Jr.
Gooch, A. F. (2)
Gooch, Alton L.
Goward, Marian C.
Goward, Edwin T. (2)
Goward, Clarence N.

Grant, Wallace.
Grant, James.
Grant, James, Jr.

Hanson, Charles.
Hanlon, Fred.
Harvey, William.
Harvey, Charles.
Harvey, A. P.
Harvey, Mary J.
Harlow, Patrick.
Harlow, Hugh.
Hayes, George E.
Hayward, Edw. B.
Hayward, Edw. R.
Hayward, Mrs. N. M. D.
Hardy, Parsons O.
Hamilton, William J.
Hall, Jessie.
Hanlon, Daniel.
Hanson, Oliver.
Heath, Lottie M.
Heath, Henry W.
Heath, Olive.
Herrick, J. F.
Hernnegar, Charles H.
Herring, Walter F.
Higginbottom, Charles W.
Howard, George T.
Howard, Lewis P.
Howard, Lucius.
Howard, Wilmarth P.
Howard, James E.
Howard, Roger S.
Holbrook, Joseph W.
Howes, Samuel J.

Jones, Robert P.

Kennedy, Edw. H.
Kech, Mrs. M.
Kelleher, John.
Kelly, Thomas J.
Keith, F. Sherwood.
Keith, George L.
Keith, Thomas B.
Kimball, George L.

Ladd, Thomas F.
Leonard, Charles.
Leonard, Louise.
Leonard, Peleg.
Leonard, Emory S.
Leighton, James C.
Leary, Patrick.
Leary, Dennis F.
Lillie, Marianna.
Lindquist, Oliver J.
Lothrop, William B. (2)
Lothrop, Mary J.
Lothrop, Cyrus.
Lordan, William F. (2)
Lunn, George F.
Lufkin, Charles H.

Lyons, Daniel J. (3)

Maguire, Frank,
Macmer, Annie.
Maliff, Fred H.
Mayall, Jabez.
Manchester, J. H. (2)
Manning, Linas B.
Manning, E.
Mackay, James R.
Maloy, Michael F.
Marshall, Harry C.
McLeod, William. (2)
McEntee, Archibald J. (2)
McAnar, Anthony. (2)
McDonald, D. M.
McDermott, William P.
McCarthy, Thomas.
McKean, Robert.
McKenna, Owen.
Meyers, Herman H.
Miller, Charles E.
Miller, Delmont A.
Mowatt, John.
Moran, Joseph.
Monk, Charles F.
Morse, E. J. W. (2)
Mowry, Irving B.
Murray, Patrick.
Murray, William.
Munroe, E. F.
Mulhair, James.
Mulhearn, Peter.
Murphy, Patrick J.

Nolan, Lizzie.
Nystrom, John F.

Olssen, Sanders.
O'Connor, John J.
O'Keefe, Samuel J.
O'Neil, Dennis.
O'Neil, Patrick J.

Packard, Ernest.
Packard, Charlotte E.
Phillips, Adelbert.
Phillips, Herbert E.
Phillips, David O.
Phillips, Harry C. (2)
Phelon, J. A.
Pratt, Amos G.
Pratt, Edith W.
Pratt, Frank C.
Pratt, Guy W.
Proctor, Bartholomew.

Quinn, George E.

Randall, Oscar B.
Randall, Ozro S.
Randall, Arthur E.
Randall, Frederick.
Randall, Daniel L.

Randall, Langdon H. (2)
Randall, William O. (2)
Rankin, James.
Rankin, Mrs. James,
Reed, Charles D.
Reddy, James.
Rice, Harry A.
Riordan, Cornelius.
Riordan, Dennis F. (2)
Riordan, Murty J.
Robinson, Mrs. William.
Ross, George.
Rohndin, John A.
Rounds, William F.

Scott, Solomon S.
Sheehan, John.
Sherman, M. Florence.
Sisson, Alfred A.
Slattery, Edmund.
Smith, Lewis H.
Smith, Charles H.
Smith, H. A.
Smith, Dwelley G.
Smith, John H.
Smith, Andrew.
Smith, H. B.
Soule, Nelson
Spooner, Myrtie A
Spillane, John.
Stanton, John.
Sweeney, D. H. (2)
Sweet, George H.
Sullivan, Dennis.

Taylor, James B.
Thayer, Fred G.
Thomas, Cornelius.
Thompson, H. M.
Tonnell, Charles.
Tune, William E.
Twohig, William J.

Walker, George H.
Watts, James.
Ward, George. (2)
Wells, Orion W.
Webster, A. P. (2)
Webster, Clinton P.
Webster, Clinton T.
Webster, Forrest.
Weatherbee, Thomas M. C.
Wilber, Lemuel K. (2)
Wilber, Henry F.
Williams Frank H.
Williams, Monroe.
Williams, Thomas E.
Williams, J. Bradford. (2)
Williams, Albert L.
Williams, Wilbert N.
Williams, John M.
Williams, Henry C.
Wing, Frank R.
Wilde, George F. F.

Willis, Martin H.
Willis, J. E. (2)
Willis, Fred L.
Willis, Horace W.
Wills, Frank L.
Whitten, Mrs. F. E.
White, Gardner H.
White, Frank A.
Woodbury, A. F.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

March 7, 1898.

William N. Howard was chosen to act as Moderator for the meeting.

The Reports of Town Officers were accepted.

Previously to balloting for town officers it was voted to limit the number of Constables to five.

Town officers were then elected in the usual manner.

The following sums of money for defraying town charges were voted to be raised and appropriated, viz. :—

Support of poor, seven thousand dollars.
Repairs of roads and bridges, six thousand dollars.
Tools for Road Department, four hundred dollars.
Clearing roads of snow, eight hundred dollars.
Town officers' bills, twenty-two hundred dollars.
Incidental expenses, two thousand dollars.
Discounts of taxes, twenty-eight hundred dollars.
Repairing guide-boards, one hundred dollars.
Teachers' wages, thirteen thousand dollars.
Fuel for schoolhouses, twelve hundred dollars.
Care of schoolhouses, thirteen hundred and fifty dollars.
Supplies and sundries for schools, one thousand dollars.
Schoolhouse repairs, one thousand dollars.

School furniture, two hundred dollars.

Text books for schools, eight hundred dollars.

Conveyance of High School pupils, thirteen hundred dollars.

Evening School, five hundred dollars.

Land damage for Harriet A. French, fifty dollars.

Building lockup, (additional) one thousand dollars.

Memorial Day, Post 52, one hundred and fifty dollars.

Concrete crossing at Andrews and Mechanic Streets, fifty dollars.

Spooner Street, five hundred dollars.

The Town Treasurer was authorized to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, as needed.

The list of jurors was accepted as presented by the Selectmen.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay no bills against the town, of persons in arrears for taxes, until such taxes shall be paid.

The Brockton Street Railway Company was authorized to act as common carriers of small parcels not exceeding twenty-five pounds in weight.

The Selectmen were given discretionary power in relation to the suit brought against the town by Florence E. Hall and Martha J. Snell.

The name of Grove Street was changed to Belmont Street.

The private way heretofore known as Belmont Street was accepted as a public way as laid out by the Road Commissioners, the same to be known as Spooner Street.

On the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors for the ensuing year, the vote was "No," one hundred and ninety-three; "Yes," fifty-six.

The old lockup on Pond Street was presented to E. P.

Spooner with request to remove the same within one month.

The whole number of ballots cast was three hundred and seventy-two.

The meeting was then dismissed.

The following named persons have been appointed and qualified as Police Officers for the town, viz. :—Lewis H. Smith, Otis E. Spooner, F. Granville Keith, James O'Neil, Joseph C. Schindler, Geo. F. Rice, Thomas Downey, James E. Trask.

At a legal town meeting holden on the seventeenth day of September, William N. Howard was chosen to preside at the meeting.

The re-location and widening of Highland Street as laid out by the Road Commissioners was accepted and four hundred and fifty-three dollars appropriated for the same.

The re-location and widening of Bay Street as laid out by the Road Commissioners, was accepted and two hundred and ninety-eight dollars and fifty cents appropriated for the same.

The re-location and widening of Depot Street as laid out by the Road Commissioners, was accepted and two hundred and sixty-two dollars appropriated for the same.

The re-location and widening of Centre Street as laid out by the Road Commissioners, was accepted and eleven hundred and fourteen dollars appropriated for the same.

The meeting was then dismissed.

STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 8, 1898.

At the Annual State Election holden on Tuesday, November 8, 1898, the number of ballots cast was three hundred and ninety-two and they were for the following persons:—

For Governor.

Samuel P. Shapleigh, of Boston, six.
Alexander B. Bruce, of Lawrence, one hundred and fourteen.
George R. Peare, of Lynn, one.
Roger Wolcott, of Boston, two hundred and forty-five.

For Lieutenant Governor.

Michael T. Berry, of Haverhill, four.
W. Murray Crane, of Dalton, two hundred and forty-one.
John L. Kilbon, of Lee, seven.
Isaac W. Skinner, of Brockton, six.
Edward J. Slattery, of Framingham, one hundred and twelve.

For Secretary.

Charles H. Bradley, of Haverhill, nine.
Henry A. Inman, of Newton, nine.
Henry Lloyd, of Boston, one hundred and ten.
William M. Olin, of Boston, two hundred and thirty-four.
James F. Stevens, of Boston, three.

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Martha Moore Avery, of Boston, four.
Harry J. Jaquith, of Wellesley, one hundred and twelve.
Edward P. Shaw, of Newburyport, two hundred and thirty-four.
Herbert Morley Small, of Templeton, eight.
Charles W. White, of Winchester, three.

For Auditor.

Charles S. Grieves, of Amesbury, three.
John W. Kimball, of Fitchburg, two hundred and thirty-two.
John Palme, of New Bedford, two.
Charles F. Parker, of Boston, one hundred and seventeen.
Walter E. Sanford, of Attleborough, five.

For Attorney-General.

Patrick Kilroy, of Springfield, one hundred and thirteen.
Hosea M. Knowlton, of New Bedford, two hundred and fifty-two.
Clarence E. Spelman, of Westfield, three.

For Councillor.

William W. Davis, of Boston, two hundred and twenty-four.
Harrison Dunham, of Boston, one hundred and eighteen.

For Senator.

Charles H. Brown, of Taunton, eighty-five.
Warren S. Leach, of Raynham, two hundred and twenty-seven.
Stephen R. Lincoln, of Raynham, twenty-nine.

For Representative in General Court.

Nathan W. Shaw, of Raynham, two hundred and forty-five.

For County Commissioner.

John A. Connelly, of Fall River, one hundred and eighteen.
George T. Durfee, of Fall River, two hundred and twenty-four.
Dennis McGoff, of New Bedford, one.
Andrew A. Wright, of Fall River, seventeen.

For Special Commissioners, Two.

James E. Allen, of Dartmouth, one hundred and seventy-nine.
John M. Hathaway, of Fairhaven, one hundred and twenty-three.
John Thatcher, of Attleborough, one hundred and sixty-five.

For District Attorney.

Lemuel LeBaron Holmes, of New Bedford, two hundred and forty-seven.
Daniel J. Buckley, eighteen.

For Register of Probate and Insolvency.

Arthur M. Alger, of Taunton, two hundred and sixty-two.

For Sheriff.

George O. Baker, of Dartmouth, one hundred and twenty-four.
Edwin H. Evans, of Taunton, two hundred and thirty-one.

For Representative in Congress.

Philip E. Brady, of Attleborough, one hundred and twenty-six.
William C. Lovering, of Taunton, two hundred and thirty-two.
Jeremiah O'Fihelly, of Abington, four.

The whole number of ballots for Representative to General Court, cast in Easton, Mansfield, and Raynham, constituting the Second Bristol Representative District, was six hundred and thirty-four.

Nathan W. Shaw, of Raynham, had six hundred and thirty-four.

Blanks, two hundred and twenty-seven.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Town of Easton in Account with Treasurer.

Dr. Paid.		Cr. Received.		
State tax.	$2,730 00	Balance cash, [redacted]	$4,684 11	
County tax,	9,840 79	Balance uncollected [redacted] taxes,	3,685 25	
National Bank tax,	730 27			$8,369 36
Notes paid,	15,000 00	Assessors' return of taxes,		45,094 06
School Department,	23,984 20	From Loans,		14,731 10
Highway Department,	11,152 67	From bal. of corp. tax, 1897,		265 92
Poor Department,	7,328 76	From Corp. and National Bank tax, 1898,		11,302 69
Town Officers' bills,	2,067 86	From aid to poor refunded,		857 52
Court fees,	478 29	From sundries for School Dept.		3,008 47
Tax for 1893 remitted to A. G. Pratt,	254 00	From sundries for Highway Department,		3,094 84
Taxes for 1897 and 1898,	134 82	From General Electric Co.'s dividends,		4,375 00
Account of new lockup,	1,000 00	From State and Military aid,		1,995 84
Incidentals. Tax discount, etc. (See Selectmen's report for general items),	5,196 50			
Amount carried forward,	$79,896 16	*Amount carried forward,*		$92,994 80

Amount brought forward,		$79,896 16	*Amount brought forward,*		$92,994 80
State and Military aid,		2,049 50	From District Court,		302 24
General electric dividends re-invested,		4,375 00	From licenses,		8 00
Balance cash,	$3,882 02		From sales of History of Easton,		25 00
Uncollected taxes,	3,325 36		From Quincy Mut. Ins. Co.,		50 00
		7,207 38	From Springfield Marine Ins. Co.,		50 00
		$93,530 04			$93,530 04

School Department in Account with Treasurer.

Dr. Paid.		Cr. Received.	
Teachers,	$14,698 60	Appropriation for teachers,	$13,000 00
Superintendent,	1,388 59	Appropriation for supplies and sundries,	1,000 00
School supplies and sundries,	1,186 64	Appropriation for care of school houses,	1,350 00
Care of school houses,	1,668 83	Appropriation for fuel,	1,200 00
Text books,	823 25	Appropriation for repairs,	1,000 00
Fuel,	1,160 74	Appropriation for text books,	800 00
School house repairs,	828 96		
School furniture,	304 38		
Amount carried forward,	$22,059 99	*Amount carried forward,*	$18,350 00

Amount brought forward,	$22,059 99	*Amount brought forward,*	$18,350 00
Conveyance of pupils,	1,592 50	Appropriation for furniture,	200 00
Evening school,	331 71	Appropriation for conveyance,	1,300 00
		Appropriation for evening school,	500 000
		From balance of 1897,	601 10
		From Ames fund,	1,858 19
		From Commonwealth,	352 50
		From tuition (other towns),	28 00
		From dog fund,	769 78
		Exceeded appropriations,	24 63
	$23,984 20		$23,984 20

STATE AND MILITARY AID IN ACCOUNT WITH TREASURER.

Dr. Paid.		Cr. Received.	
State aid, 1898,	$1,953 50	Received from State, 1897, account,	$1,995 84
Military aid, 1898,	96 00		
	$2,049 50		

Highway Department in Account with Treasurer.

Dr. Paid.		Cr. Received.	
Semi-monthly payrolls,	$6,832 84	Appropriation for roads,	$6,000 00
Road supplies and sundries,	3,107 71	Appropriation for road tools,	400 00
Snow bills,	458 12	Appropriation for snow expense,	800 00
Land damages,	754 00	Appropriation for land damage,	50 00
Balance,	1,870 17	Appropriation for concrete crossing,	50 00
		Appropriation for Spooner street,	500 00
		From Ames fund,	1,856 14
		From Mrs. R. C. Ames for work,	42 00
		From Brockton St. Railway Co.,	34 55
		From Ribber-White Co.,	1,162 15
		From Selectman, order in advance of appropriation,	2,128 00
	$13,022 84		$13,022 84

Financial Condition Dec. 31, 1898.

Assets.		Liabilities.	
Cash,	$3,882 02	Due City of Boston,	$15 43
Unpaid taxes,	3,325 36	Due town of Franklin,	42 00
Due from Commonwealth, State aid of 1898,	2,049 50	Due Board of Health,	39 10
National Bank tax, 1898,	730 27	Balance,	$9,890 62
	$9,987 15		$9,987 15

AUDITORS' REPORT.

The subscribers, Auditors of the accounts of the Town of Easton for the year ending Dec. 31, 1898, have examined the accounts of Geo. G. Withington, its Treasurer, and have found the same correctly cast and properly vouched; and the Treasurer has verified to us that the cash balance of $3,882.02, due from him to the town is in his possession.

GEO. W. KENNEDY, }
WM. J. TWOHIG, } *Auditors.*

Names of Persons Receiving State Aid in 1898.

Daniel W. Burrill,	$48 00
Benjamin D. Boggs,	36 00
George H. Drake, seven months,	21 00
Laban W. Drake,	36 00
George Dunbar,	72 00
Peter Fisher and wife,	80 50
James F. Gooch,	36 00
James Harris,	48 00
William D. Higgins,	72 00
Albert Hayward,	72 00
David Howard,	48 00
Geo. A. Lackey and wife,	96 00
Charles F. Lothrop,	36 00
Thomas McHugh,	36 00
Charles E. Miller, ten months,	44 00
Simeon A. Randall,	36 00
Charles H. Smith,	48 00
Ezra G. Whittemore,	48 00
Joshua G. Wing,	48 00
Charles S. Packard, eleven months,	44 00
William F. Rounds and wife, ten months,	60 00
Alfred Lincoln, Indigent Soldiers Aid,	96 00
Edward W. Jenkins, ten months,	40 00
Mrs. Ann Conlin,	48 00
Mrs. Amanda Drake,	48 00
Mrs. Susan E. Drew,	48 00
Amount carried forward,	$1,345 50

Amount brought forward,	$1,345 50
Mrs. Achsa Hanscom, three months,	12 00
Mrs. Caroline F. Hill,	48 00
Mrs. Ann Haney,	48 00
Mrs. Adelaide A. Humphrey,	24 00
Mrs. Sarah J. Keenan,	48 00
Mrs. Mary J. Lothrop,	48 00
Mrs. Margaret Mulhearn,	48 00
Mrs. Mary McEvoy,	48 00
Mrs. Ellen Maguire,	48 00
Mrs. Eldora F. Morse,	48 00
Mrs. Mary Richards,	48 00
Mrs. Laura A. Smith,	48 00
Mrs. Celia J. Wells,	24 00
Mrs. Lydia Willis,	48 00
Mrs. Harriet E. Waldron,	48 00
Mrs. Caroline Wheeler,	48 00
Mrs. Ann Welby, five months,	20 00
	$2,049 50

GEO. G. WITHINGTON,
Town Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report, Oakes Ames Memorial Hall Association.

For Year 1898.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1898,	$480 36
Received from rent of hall, for lectures and other entertainments,	348 00
Received from Paul Dean Lodge, for rent of rooms, as per lease,	1 00
Received from Paul Dean Lodge, for use of gasolene,	25 00
Interest on deposit in North Easton Savings Bank,	12 00
	$866 36

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Town of Easton,	$100 00	
L. H. Smith, services as janitor,	108 00	
E. E. Kelley, bills 1893-1897,	67 49	
Gasolene,	63 81	
Repairs,	26 19	
Labor cleaning building,	17 85	
Sundries,	17 28	
Coal,	16 35	
Wood,	5 75	
		$422 72
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1899,		$443 64

Paid janitor for service on account of town $24.00.

I also hold as Treasurer, the income on 1 Union Pacific 1st Mortgage, 4 percent. bond, and 22 shares Union Pacific Pref. stock, the same having been received by the Trustees in exchange for $2,000 bonds Kansas Pacific Ry. Co., the income of which is to be applied to the insuring of the Oakes Ames Memorial Hall, and any balance to be applied to repairs.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1898,	$37 60
Dividend No. 1 on 22 shares U. P. Pref. stock,	33 00
Interest on 1 U. P. 1st Mort. 4 percent. bond,	20 00
Interest on deposit in No. Easton Savings Bank,	1 50
Bal. on hand Jan. 1, 1899, in Insurance Fund,	$92 10

Insurance expires, $35,000, Oct. 14, 1901.
" " 5,000, Feb. 16, 1902.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. AMES,
Treasurer.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

To the Citizens of Easton:—

The annual report of the receipts and expenditures of the Road Department, for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1898, as far as the bills have been presented, is herewith submitted:

ROAD DEPARTMENT PROPERTY ON HAND,

JAN. 1, 1899.

6 horses.	6 horse blankets.
6 carts.	16 shovels.
1 stone rigging.	1 tool box.
6 cart harnesses.	3 curry-combs.
1 pair double harnesses.	4 steel bars.
4 pair trace chains.	1 axe.
12 halters.	100 ft. hard pine plank.
1 road roll.	3 feed bags.
1 scraper.	8 bush scythes.
1 Penock road machine.	3 snaths.
5 snow ploughs.	3 sledge hammers.
1 plough.	2 forks.
2 stone drags.	60 chestnut posts.
1 ox yoke.	A lot of old iron.
1 grain box.	2 striking hammers.
6 large drills.	6 hand drills.
2 whiffletrees.	2 wrenches.
2 drill spoons.	8 lantern globes.
2 steel wedges.	1 burning brand.
8 picks.	1 steel stamp.
6 pick hoes.	4 lanterns.

8 water pails.	6 lantern holders.
2 horse brushes.	6 feed boxes.
4 mane brushes.	4 tie chains.
4 rakes.	8 stone chains.
2 gravel screens.	22 ft. 12-inch drain pipe.

ROAD MATERIAL MOVED BY TEAMS.

Loads of dirt,	4471
" " stone,	3760
" " gravel,	4832
" " screenings,	215
" " crushed stone,	661

Stone road built, 2,825 feet.

1,600 loads of crushed stone are on hand, Dec. 31, 1898.

The loads carted for the Electric R. R. are not in this account.

LABOR BY ROAD DEPARTMENT COMPANY.

T. F. Ladd,	$746 25
James Reddy,	571 42
William Lordon,	420 92
Morace Fitzgerald,	427 04
Dennis Coughlin,	437 54
Andrew Luzon,	460 29
John Barrett,	461 15
Mike Kelleher,	81 39
Amount carried forward,	$3,606 00

Amount brought forward,	$3,606 00
Peter Nolan,	455 03
Henry Drake,	334 29
Chas. Scott,	434 02
Horace Philips,	390 29
Chas. Coldwell,	432 27
Dennis Murphy,	455 90
Pat. Bradley,	448 91
Joseph Grant,	438 40
Chas. O'Connell,	21 50
	$7,016 61

LABOR OUTSIDE OF ROAD COMPANY.

Wm. H. Smith, mowing bushes,	$65 50
J. B. Johnson, " "	48 31
Thomas Johnson, " "	47 25
J. R. Mackey, " "	48 13
S. C. Mackey, " "	26 25
Frank White, " "	36 07
J. O. Dean, men and teams scraping roads,	88 41
C. E. Randall and team, raking roads,	48 00
H. H. Andrews, " "	24 00
George Boyle, " "	24 00
B. Ferrin, " "	7 50
Charles S. Drew, " "	16 00
William T. Harding, " "	24 00
Charles Swanson, work on walls,	4 83
A. B. Anderson, " "	28 25
Amount carried forward,	$536 50

Amount brought forward,		$536 50
Frank White,	work on walls,	2 70
Robert Ervin,	" "	74 77
Ira Gardner,	" "	84 50
N. P. Pierson,	" "	26 95
Andrew Abrahamson,	" "	26 00
Andrew Lund,	" "	16 50
Oscar Lund,	" "	18 00
Simon Johnson,	" "	26 00
Cornelius Dailey and man,	"	120 64
John Ervin, Jr., and man,	"	194 91
		$1,127 47

BLACKSMITHING AND REPAIRS.

J. F. Reddy,	$8 65
F. A. Conant,	28 73
S. D. Simpson & Son,	23 50
W. N. DeWitt,	6 15
J. H. Dailey,	113 25
	$180 28

GRAVEL PAID FOR IN 1898.

F. B. Littlefield,	118 loads,	$5 90
C. A. Knapp,	84 "	4 20
Amonnt carried forward,		$10 10

Amount brought forward,			$10 10
Joseph M. Grant,	1,391	loads,	69 55
Mrs. W. H. Smith,	780	"	39 00
Mrs. L. A. Reed,	912	"	45 60
Simpson Spring Co.,	474	"	23 70
James C. Leighton,	404	"	20 20
Samuel Gilmore,	846	"	42 20
George Ross,	536	"	26 80
W. E. Drake,	453	"	22 65
F. F. Marshall,	106	"	5 30
			$305 15

GRAIN ACCOUNT.

J. O. Dean & Co.	$453 74

HAY ACCOUNT.

Mrs. F. L. Ames,	$7 50
Lucius Howard,	31 09
James Rankin,	10 80
L. L. Berry,	239 20
George Howard,	3 26
John O. Dean & Co.,	64 63
	$356 48

SUNDRIES ACCOUNT.

O. Ames & Sons Corp., for shovels,	$20 34
" " " " " 1897,	11 45
" " " " hammers,	2 50
" " " " iron posts, bolts and washers,	8 72
O. Ames & Sons Corp., oil for crusher,	5 10
" " " " " 1897,	8 55
" " " iron and labor on crusher,	90
L. L. Berry, rent of stable 1897,	40 00
" " " " 1898,	40 00
James Rankin, use of stable,	4 50
" " care of horses,	1 75
F. B. Littlefield, posts and railing,	5 42
J. C. Goward, drain pipe,	49 02
J. W. Baldwin, lumber,	1 58
George H. DeWitt, lumber and work,	11 69
O. Ames & Sons Corp., store bill,	5 65
D. J. Dineen, store bill,	7 75
J. M. Howard & Son, store bill,	3 55
J. H. Manchester, repairing harnesses, 4 years,	11 60
E. B. Hayward, surveying, plans, bound stones and setting same on Spooner, Center, Depot, Bay and Highland streets, as per item bill,	434 73
	$674 80

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts.

Town Appropriation for repairs,	$6,000 00
" " for tools,	400 00
" " for Spooner St.,	500 00
" " for street crossing,	50 00
Income from Ames Bequest,	1,856 14
Received from appropriation for snow,	400 00
" " Mrs. F. L. Ames for work,	42 00
" " Brockton St. R. R. for snow,	34 55
" " Easton and Mansfield St. R. R. for walls,	500 00
Received from Easton and Mansfield St. R. R. for work,	662 15
Received from appropriation for widening streets,	2,128 00
	$12,572 84

Expenditures.

Labor of road company,	$7,016 61
" outside of road company,	1,127 47
Blacksmithing and repairs,	180 28
Gravel paid for in 1898,	305 15
Grain bought,	453 74
Hay bought,	356 48
Sundries account,	674 80
Paid awards for land taken,	513 00
	$10,627 53

N. B.—The labor by the road company on snow and on the electric road is included in this account.

The widening and re-location of the streets from North Easton to the town lines of Mansfield and Norton, has made a large amount of extra labor for us and quite an expense.

But we feel confident that it is time and money well invested for the town, for most surely all of our electric railroads have come into our streets to stay forever and are entitled to the use of them the same as all other travel. For these reasons, it was wise to prepare the streets so that they could locate where they will be most out of the way of the usual street travel and not be a cause for repairs and an obstruction to other travel. As now located, the cars can run at a rapid rate of speed, in most places, with very little danger or inconvenience to the other travel. The Mansfield and Easton Electric Railroad Company paid us $500 towards the expense of moving walls and fences and have paid our Company the usual prices for a large amount of work, which they have done for them.

The income from the Ames Bequest shows quite an increase over the last few years.

We are informed that the back interest on the General Electrics Company, preferred stock, has been paid and the money invested so as to increase the fund for the repairs of our roads.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. McCARTHY,
THOMAS F. LADD,
JOHN O. DEAN,
Commissioners.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

TOWN OF EASTON

FOR THE YEAR 1898.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

LINCOLN S. DRAKE, *Chairman.* WILLIAM H. AMES, *Secretary.*

ROBERT T. CONROY.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

EDWARD B. MAGLATHLIN.

NAMES OF TEACHERS EMPLOYED DURING THE YEAR 1898.

High.	MAITLAND C. LAMPREY.
"	HENRIETTA WINCHESTER
"	ANNIE J. FAIRCHILD.
No. 1.	LOUISE G. MARSHALL.
"	GERTRUDE A. CANEGALY.
"	JULIA A. WALSH.
No. 2.	LIZZIE S. CAVANAUGH,
"	MARY A. O'CONNELL.
No. 3.	ADA E. LEONARD.
Union.	CARRIE A. KEITH.
"	ANNA C. KNIGHT.
"	MABEL HUNT.
"	JENNIE B. GEDDES.
"	LIZZIE M. LEACH.
No. 6.	MALVINA A. BENNETT.
"	LUCY E. KEITH.
No. 7	THE SUPERINTENDENT, *ex-officio.*
"	HELEN L. DRAKE.
"	MARY A. STONE.
"	JANET YOUNG.
"	ANNIE F. LINCOLN.
"	MARY J. REYNOLDS.
No. 7.	LIZZIE E. MORSE.
"	FRANCES A. HIGGINBOTTOM.
"	CLARA L. KING
"	JULIA A. REARDON.
"	EMMA A. LEACH.
"	MINNIE F. CONLEY.
"	MARIA E. MURPHY.
"	LIZZIE M. CLARK.
"	LETITIA BIRD.
"	CARRIE T. DRAKE.
No. 8.	CLARA A. DRAKE.
"	ELLA L. DICKERMAN.
No. 9	FANNIE A. BIRNIE.
"	KATE J. LYONS.
No. 10.	HARRIET V. STONE.
Normal Training School.	LIZZIE E. MORSE.
Kindergarten.	NETTIE L. WITHINGTON.
	ETHEL H. COPELAND.
Evening School.	EDWARD S. COLTON, JR.

SPECIAL TEACHERS.

J. E. SHEPARDSON, *Music.*
JENNIE E. BAILEY, *Drawing.*
E. S. COLTON, JR., *Penmanship.*
ETTA F. ANDREWS, *Sewing*
M. EVA CLEMENTS, *Sewing.*
SUSAN P. CHOATE, *Sloyd.*
MARY C. MITCHELL, *Cooking.*
CATHARINE L. BIGELOW, *Physical Training.*
FLORENCE L. CARTER, *Physical Training.*

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the citizens of Easton;

We submit the following report for the year 1898 and call special attention to the detailed report of the Superintendent of Schools.

STATISTICS.

Number of scholars of all ages enrolled in the School Registers,	1,112
Number of children in town May 1st, 1898, between five and fifteen years,	876
Number enrolled between the ages of seven and fourteen,	609
Number enrolled over fifteen years of age,	92
Number enrolled under five years of age,	63

APPROPRIATIONS.

We request that the following sums be appropriated for the support of the schools in 1899.

For salaries,	$14,300
Fuel	1,100
Care of schoolhouses	1,650
Supplies and sundries,	1,000
Repairs,	1,000
Furniture,	200
Text books,	800
Transportation,	1,000
Evening school,	300

The repairs and changes as noted in our report for 1897 have been completed in all cases except in District No. 1, where they have been done in part.

This year the interiors of No. 1, No. 8 and No. 10 should be painted.

At the High School building a few rooms should be painted each year until all are finished. The usual appropriation of $1,000 will be sufficient for this.

L. S. DRAKE, *Chairman*,
WM. H. AMES, *Secretary*,
ROBERT T. CONROY.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

The Superintendent of the public schools would submit his report for the year 1898.

It is his eighth report, and the thirteenth in the series of annual reports by the Superintendent of the Public Schools of this town.

THE CORPS OF TEACHERS.

In nineteen of our twenty-three schools there have been no changes in the teaching force.

The following is the record of appointments, transfers, and resignations:—

APPOINTMENTS.

Mary A. O'Connell, Assistant in Eastondale School.
Elizabeth R Leach, Assistant, Union Grammar School.
Lucy E. Keith, Teacher in Poquanticut School.
Janet Young, Principal, D Grammar, North Easton.
Carrie T. Drake, Assistant, D Primary, North Easton.
Ethel H. Copeland, Assistant, Kindergarten, North Easton.

The Misses Copeland and Young were appointed Jan. 1, 1898; the others, during the year.

TRANSFERS.

Annie F. Lincoln, from Assistant, F Grammar, to Principal, E Grammar, North Easton.
Letitia Bird, from Assistant, Kindergarten, to Assistant F Grammar, North Easton.

These teachers were transferred Jan. 1, 1898.

RESIGNATIONS.

Jennie B. Geddes, Assistant Union Grammar School.
Malvina A. Bennett, Teacher in Poquanticut.

Miss Geddes gave the town an excellent service in the schools of Poquanticut and Easton Furnace. Miss Bennett taught for a year in Poquanticut, resigning in September to enter the State Normal School in Bridgewater.

ATTENDANCE.

The average membership and attendance have been unsually high. There have been fewer cases of truancy than for many years.

The following table gives a summary of perfect attendance for the past eight years:—

	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898
Number of pupils perfect in attendance every half-day for three terms,	3	14	17	28	11	20	14	31
Number of pupils perfect in attendance every half-day for two terms,	22	59	66	62	53	59	40	43
Number of pupils perfect in attendance every half-day for one term,	95	155	177	145	137	172	199	159
Total number of terms of perfect attendance,	148	315	360	353	276	350	321	338

To obtain these results, the first series was multiplied by three and the second series by two.

THE COMMON SCHOOLS.

Earnest and successful work has been done in these schools. All have been provided with good text books and supplies; apparatus, and all needful appliances. There has

been an adequate teaching force. The school buildings have been kept in repair and the premises generally are neat and clean. The efficiency of the school in Easton Centre has been impaired, somewhat, by the crowded condition of the schoolroom. For several years the school has been one of the largest in the town. It has two teachers working with fifty scholars in one small room. It would be practicable and comparatively inexpensive to build an extension for the suitable accommodation of the primary scholars.

THE HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY.

Recent action by the School Committee has strengthened the English and Commercial departments of the Oliver Ames High School.

The new course of study is very attractive and has increased the popularity and usefulness of the school. Still further changes are desirable. In general terms it may be stated, that the Course of Study should be arranged for the ninety-nine per cent. of scholars who will never attend any higher institution of learning; rather than for the one per cent. who may, at some future period, enter a college, or technical school. To be specific: more prominence should be given to Mathematics. At present the school offers one year in Elementary Algebra, and one year in Plane Geometry. In the opinion of the Superintendent of Schools, the Course in Mathematics should run parallel with the Latin Course, extending through the full period of four years and including Higher Arithmetic, Advanced Algebra, Solid Geometry, Trigonometry and Surveying. The substantial parts of a good education are language, history, natural science and mathematics. The Oliver Ames High School is

strong in the first three; and it is the conviction of intelligent friends of the school, that the fourth,—Mathematics—deserves a place in the curriculum equal to any other subject in dignity, importance, usefulness and power.

THE TRAINING SCHOOL.

This department of our system of public instruction was established in 1881. At first, graduates of the High School could become pupil teachers, and they were required to attend the class only one term, giving all their time to the primary schools. In 1891 the length of the course was extended to one year; the trainers were required to devote some time to all grades below the High School; and Diplomas of graduation were conferred upon those who completed the Course in the Theory, Art and Practice of Teaching.

In 1897, the Committee voted that a year of attendance at one of the State Normal Schools, or satisfactory equivalents, should be necessary for admission to the Training School.

In June, 1898, Diplomas were awarded to Ethel H. Copeland and Carrie T. Drake.

The members of the present class are Margaret E. Mahoney and Ethel E. Soule. Miss Mahoney was graduated from the Oliver Ames High School in July, 1896, and attended the State Normal School in Bridgewater from Sept. 1897 to July, 1898. Ethel E. Soule was graduated from the Oliver Ames High School in July 1896, and from the Normal Kindergarten Class in Boston in June, 1897; and was employed as an assistant in one of the Kindergartens of the city of Newton for the year 1897-8.

On our present corps of teachers are the following who have received instruction in the Easton Training School. :—

Misses Withington, Higginbottom, King, Lincoln, Clara A. and Carrie T. Drake, Dickerman, Emma A. and Mabel M. Leach, Conley, Murphy, Bird, Leonard, Copeland, Lyons, Walsh, Birnie and Canegaly.

Under the guidance and support of the School Committee, and through the patient, persevering, industrious, scholarly labors of the Principal, the Training School has become one of the chief sources of supply for teachers in our Elementary Schools.

THE SCHOOL LAWS.

Among the new provisions in the enactments by the Legislature of 1898 are the following:—

No child under fourteen years of age shall be employed in a factory or workshop.

The compulsory age limits are changed from *eight* and fourteen years of age to *seven* and fourteen.

Scholars of school age must attend not twenty weeks only, as formerly; but the *entire time* that the public schools are in session.

The date of taking the School Census is changed from May 1st to September 1st.

REPORTS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

It is desirable to have a complete set of these reports in the office of the Superintendent, so arranged as to be accessible to teachers. They are a most valuable pedagogical library, containing the history of the school system of Massachusetts since the establishment of the State Board of Education and the reconstruction of our Public Schools by

the first secretary, Horace Mann. The reports are full of instruction, counsel, guidance and inspiration. Of the sixty-two reports the Superintendent has secured all but the first nine, and nos. 11, 14, 19, 41 and 42. Dr. Tillinghast,—the State Librarian—Rev. George G. Withington, and Hon. L. S. Drake have contributed several copies, and it is earnestly hoped that other friends will supply the missing numbers.

CONCLUSION.

During the year fifteen schools were presented with flags by Mrs. Oliver Ames, Senior, who also enriched the Art Rooms and Library of the High School. These contributions merit the thanks of the friends of education and the public.

Attention is invited to the Appendix, which contains financial statements, tabulated statistics and special reports.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD B. MAGLATHLIN.

Easton, Mass., Feb. 3, 1899.

APPENDIX.

Report of the Supervisor of Music.

MR. MAGLATHLIN, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

Dear Sir,—There has been quite a change during the past year in the musical instruction. The Natural Course in Music was introduced into the lower grades two years ago and during the past year it has been adopted in the fifth sixth and seventh grades of the North Easton schools, and also in all grades of the Furnace, South Easton and Unionville schools.

This has caused a little break in the work of the above schools, as the teachers require time to become familiar with the books and charts, and also with the new methods.

Much of the success depends upon the regular teachers; particularly in the schools outside of North Easton, as the Supervisor visits these schools but once in three weeks. The regular, daily drill is of great importance, for only by constant exercise can the voice be developed, or practical results in sight reading be obtained.

The work in the Grammar and High Schools has been quite encouraging; and, in some respects, there has been improvement over past years. This is especially gratifying when one remembers that a large number of the boys are at an age when the use of the voice is attended with the greatest difficulty.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. SHEPARDSON.

Report of the Teacher of the Evening School.

MR. MAGLATHLIN, Superintendent of Schools:

My dear Sir:—The Evening School completed its second year of sixty sessions on March 25, 1898.

The attendance diminished to such small numbers that the School Board decided to abolish the School unless better attendance could be secured. During the early Fall, so many of the former pupils expressed a desire to have the School re-opened, it was voted by the Committee to open the Evening School for thirty nights; with the understanding that it might continue for the maximum number of sixty nights if the attendance proved satisfactory. Thirty-five scholars were enrolled, and the average attendance for the term ending Dec. 16, 1898, was twenty-four.

The studies pursued are Penmanship, Book-keeping, Written Arithmetic, English Grammar, Spelling, Correspondence, and Mental Arithmetic. The attendance is much more satisfactory than in previous years; the advance in the penmanship is marked, and the interest shown by the pupils, in their work, is very gratifying. A visit from Mr. Conroy —a member of the School Committee—added to the enjoyment of one evening. With the exception of the Superintendent, the school has had only two other visitors.

There can be no compulsion used to secure the attendance of scholars at the Evening School. Moreover, many who desire to attend, find, after a day of hard labor, that much effort is required to devote the evening to study, or to give up all social pleasures to attend the evening sessions three times each week. For these reasons the attendance cannot be so satisfactory as in the day schools. There are, how-

ever, several pupils who have been present and punctual at every session of the school. A remarkable fact concerning this year's class, is that there are about as many young ladies as young men, while during the latter half of last year, the class consisted entirely of young men.

The third year of the school is proving successful; and this is due, chiefly, to the promise voluntarily made by the scholars, that they would attend the classes with regularity. Their promise has been kept faithfully, with excellent results.

The instructor can see in some of the pupils the making of good accountants; who, with a short and thorough commercial training, could be placed in a position to advance well in the mercantile world.

Hoping that the success of the present class may insure to the young people of the town a permanent school in the future which may so increase as to permit of more teachers with graded classes suitable to the needs and abilities of the various students, I remain

Yours respectfully,

EDWARD S. COLTON, JR.

MOTTO.

"Deeds Not Words."

OLIVER AMES HIGH SCHOOL,

Easton, Mass.

GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE CLASS OF 1898.

Thursday, June 30th, 1898, at 8.00 P. M.

PROGRAM:

PIANO SOLO,— { *a.* Bajaderentanz I, ... *Rubenstein*
{ *b.* Charge of the Hussars, ... *F. Spindler*

ETHEL P. CLEMENTS.

SALUTATORY,—Education.

HARRIET J. NYE.

ORATION,—Our Future on the Pacific.

JAMES F. CUNNINGHAM.

MUSIC,—The Rose and the Nightingale.

CLASS.

CLASS HISTORY,—

FLORENCE M. KING.

RECITATION,—Aux Italiens, ... *Owen Meredith*

MARIAN C. GOWARD.

DOUBLE DUET,—My Boat is Waiting Here for Thee.

MISSES GEDDES, NYE, KING AND NEWCOMB.

ESSAY,—The Future American Girl.

MARTHA PIERCE.

ORATION,—Our Rank as a Nation.

DAVID D. PRATT.

CLASS PROPHECY,—

CHARLES P. SAVARY.

MUSIC,—Tabasco.

CLASS.

ORATION WITH VALEDICTORY,—Patriotism.

GEORGE C. BARROWS.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS,—

REV. E. B. Maglathlin, Superintendent of Schools.

PARTING SONG,—Parting and Meeting.

CLASS.

GRADUATES:

George Channing Barrows.
William Walker Belcher.
Ethel Pearce Clements.
James Francis Cunningham.
Mabel Rebecca Geddes.
Marian Chester Goward.
Harold Clinton Hanlon.
Florence May King.
Ellen Maria Newcomb.
Harriet Jennie Nye.
Dennis Francis O'Leary.
Martha Pierce.
David Damon Pratt.
Charles Pemberton Savary,
Herman Leslie Tinkham.

OLIVER AMES HIGH SCHOOL. ART ROOMS.

High School Courses of Instruction.

FIRST YEAR.

Fall Term.	*Winter Term.*	*Spring Term.*
1. Latin.	1. Latin.	1. Latin.
2. Business Course.	2. Business Course.	2. Business Course.
3. Algebra.	3. Algebra.	3. Algebra.
4. Physiology,	4. Physiology.	4. Physical Geography.

SECOND YEAR.

Fall Term.	*Winter Term.*	*Spring Term.*
1. Latin or Eng. Equivalents.	1. Latin or Eng. Equivalents.	1. Latin or Eng. Equivalents.
2. Rhetorics.	2. Rhetoric.	2. Botany.
3. Geometry.	3. Geometry.	3. Geometry.
4. American Literature.	4. American Literature	4. English Literature.

THIRD YEAR.

Fall Term.	*Winter Term.*	*Spring Term.*
1. Latin or Solid Geometry.	1. Latin or Solid Geom etry.	1. Latin or HigherArithmetic.
2 General History.	2, General History.	2. General History.
3. Physics.	3. Physics.	3. Physics.
4. English Literature.	4. Shakespeare.	4. Civil Government.

FOURTH YEAR.

Fall Term.	*Winter Term.*	*Spring Term.*
1. Latin or Higher Algebra.	1. Latin or Higher Algebra.	1. Latin or Trigonometry and Surveying.
2. French.	2. French	2. French.
3. Chemistry.	3 Chemistry.	3. Psychology.
4. Geology.	4. Astronomy.	4. Political Economy.

Pupils are required to take four subjects each term.

In each course regular lessons are given in Rhetoricals, Music, and Drawing.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF THE

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF EASTON, MASS.

I. In Relation to the Teachers.

Section 1. Teachers shall in all cases be elected by the Committee.

Sect. 2. Whenever a teacher, in any school, is temporarily absent, the Superintendent may appoint a substitute.

Sect. 3. In June, annually, the Superintendent shall recommend the amount of salary to be paid to each teacher, and the Committee shall then fix the salaries for the year ensuing.

Sect. 4. Teachers shall be present fifteen minutes before the school session begins, and shall observe a strict punctuality in the opening and closing of their schools.

Sect. 5. Whenever teachers are unable to attend to their duties they shall immediately notify the Superintendent.

Sect. 6. Teachers may detain pupils for a reasonable time after the close of a school session for the purpose of discipline or to make up for failures in recitation. All cases of corporal punishment shall be recorded and submitted in a monthly report to the Superintendent.

Sect. 7. For continued and stubborn resistence to authority, a teacher may suspend a scholar and shall report the case to the Superintendent, at the same time giving notice to the parent or guardian.

Sect. 8. For every case of absence, tardiness or dismission from school before the close of a session, a written excuse may be required of the parent or guardian.

Sect. 9. In any building where there is more than one teacher—or more than one school, the Principal teacher—or the teacher of the highest grade, shall have supervision of the con-

duct of pupils on the stairs, in the corridors and in the school yard.

II. In Relation to the Pupils.

Section. 1. No child under five years of age shall be admitted to the public schools except by permission of the Superintendent.

Sect. 2. No new classes will be formed in the lowest grade, and no children will be admitted to that grade, except at the commencement of a school term.

Sect. 3. Children whose parents or guardians are non-residents, shall be admitted to the schools only by the consent of the committee.

Sect. 4 Whenever a pupil defaces any part of the school premises, or injures any school property, he shall be liable for all damages.

III. The School Calendar.

Section 1. The Scholastic Year shall commence on the Tuesday after the first Monday in September. The Fall term shall continue sixteen weeks for the High School and fifteen weeks for all other schools. The Winter term shall commence on the first Monday in January and continue twelve weeks. The Spring term shall commence on the second Monday in April and continue twelve weeks.

Sect. 2. In addition to the legal holidays, the schools may be closed on one day of the Agricultural Fair at Brockton, and on two days in each year for the purpose of allowing teachers to visit schools and to attend educational meetings

The High School may be closed during the session of the Annual Town Meeting. No school shall be suspended on any other day, except on some sudden emergency, without permission of the committee or Superintendent.

Sect. 3. The morning session of the High School shall continue from 8.45 to 12 o'clock; and the afternoon session from 1.15 to 3 o'clock.

For all other schools the morning session shall begin not later than fifteen minutes past nine o'clock, and the afternoon session shall begin not later than thirty minutes past one o'clock.

The school day shall occupy five hours, exclusive of recesses.

Sect. 4. The time of opening and closing the sessions in any school, shall not be changed, during a term, without the approval of the Superintendent.

LIST OF FLAG DAYS.

FOR THE

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF EASTON.

Jan.	1.	Emancipation Day.
"	8.	Jackson's Day.
"	15.	Unionists captured Fort Fisher.
"	17.	Franklin's Birthday.
Feb.	4.	Birthday of Oliver Ames. Born in Easton, 1831. Governor of Massachusetts, 1887-88-89.
"	6.	Ratification by Mass. of the U. S. Constitution.
"	12.	Lincoln's Birthday.
"	22.	Washington's Birthday.
March	4.	Constitution of the United States went into effect.
"	12.	Grant made Commander of the Union Army.
"	17.	Evacuation of Boston by the British.
"	31.	Perry's treaty with Japan.
April	2.	Jefferson's Birthday.
"	9.	Lee's Surrender.
"	19.	Battle of Lexington.
"	30.	The Louisiana Purchase.
May	1.	Dewey's Victory at Manila Bay.
"	7.	Beginning of Sherman's March to the Sea.
"	24.	First telegraphic message.
"	30.	Memorial Day. (Flag at half mast.)
June	14.	U. S. Flag adopted by Congress.
"	15.	Mass. Constitution adopted. Washington made Commander-in-Chief.
"	17.	Battle of Bunker Hill.
July	3.	Union victory at Gettysburg.
"	4.	The Nation's Birthday.
"	28.	Fourteenth Article of Amendment to the Constitution of the U. S.
Sept.	5.	First Continental Congress.
"	17.	U. S. Constitution adopted.

Oct.	12.	America discovered.
"	17.	Burgoyne's Surrender.
"	19.	Cornwallis's Surrender.
"	21.	The launching of "Old Ironsides."
Nov.	21.	The Compact of the Mayflower.
"	25.	Evacuation of New York by the British.
"	30.	Treaty of peace; close of Revolutionary War.
Dec.	1.	Incorporation of Easton.
"	16.	Boston Tea Party.
"	21.	Landing of the Pilgrims.
"	24.	The Treaty of Ghent.

Summarized Reports of Special Instruction

Under the Auspices of the Oakes Ames Bequest.

THE KINDERGARTEN.

The attendance in the Kindergarten for the past year has been most satisfactory. This, we believe, is largely owing to the fact that its present quarters are much more convenient, healthful and in every way delightful than ever before, and that the parents recognize this fact as well as the teachers. Over sixty children were received during the year. We have been most fortunate in securing the services of Miss Copeland, a graduate of one of the Boston Kindergarten training classes. The increasing number of pupils has made it necessary to have two divisions in the Kindergarten, and, in justice to the children, a trained teacher for each division is a necessity, and by having this for the last year the work of both grades has been advanced.

In June an exhibition of the Kindergarten work was given in Memorial Hall in connection with that of the classes in Sloyd, Sewing, Cooking, Penmanship and Drawing. The exhibit illustrated the regular work done through the year, and included many of the gifts and occupations. Sewing is done by both classes, simple forms of life and a series of circular sewing being done by the younger children, and vertical, horizontal and oblique lines with their combinations, and the outlines of familiar objects, as animals, birds and flowers by the older ones.

Weaving is also done in both grades, beginning with the simplest formula and going through the series to the more difficult patterns done from dictation. This is one of the favorite and valuable occupations, contributing both to the mental and the bodily development of the child. It requires the use of both hands and much care and perseverance. It satisfies the taste of color, as at least two colors are used in each mat. It excites the sense of beauty because symmetrical forms are produced, and it developes knowledge of numbers by constant counting.

Drawing is introduced very early and includes, besides blackboard drawing, a series consisting of vertical and horizontal lines and their combination into squares, oblongs and other figures, followed by oblique lines and angles. Dotted drawing paper is used for the work. Outlines of geometrical forms are also given and the children fill them in with colored crayons. Stringing colored beads gives instruction in color and numbers, and the pegs and tiles also give a knowledge of color as well as of form.

Paper folding, by which various forms are developed, gives a basis for elementary mathematics and also calls into active exercise the child's inventive powers.

Peaswork, by which the outlines of solids may be formed, is another of the occupations and is particularly satisfactory as the work can be preserved.

Stringing colored papers and straws is useful in giving practice with the needle. In this work much care and neatness in handling are required.

Specimens of the work done in all these occupations were shown in the exhibition, and also designs made with the blocks, tablets, rings and sticks, all of which gifts are in daily use in the Kindergarten.

The children had a tree at Christmas time which was decorated entirely with their own work. About a hundred articles were made by them, and over fifty of the parents and friends were present at this annual festival which consisted of singing, marching, games and other interesting exercises.

INDUSTRIAL DRAWING.

The course in drawing was very fully described in last year's report, and all who can recall the general outline will understand that a great deal was undertaken ; and those who attended the exhibition at Memorial Hall last June saw a visible result of the attempt. It is understood that all who saw the year's work were much pleased and gratified, and many words of praise and encouragement have been expressed.

Perhaps a brief description will interest those who were unable to see the work in the hall. About eight hundred square feet of wall and table surface were covered with drawings and paintings. It was the aim of the teachers to represent every child's work, either on the wall or in the packages of daily lessons scattered over the tables. The observer was attracted here by the neatly colored designs ; there, by bits of nature from the fields and woods of autumn and spring. In this corner the little folks had pictured their nursery songs and fairy tales, while across the way the beautiful curves of Greek and Moorish ornament had given suggestions for the orginal arrangements hanging by their side. It was interesting to walk from grade to grade and to note the proof of added power that each suc-

cessive year gives; to look from the indefinite and imperfect rendering of the little child's drawing to the more confident and accurate expression of the older minds.

Effective groups of models and vases, interspersed with charts of ornament and photographs, were arranged on the tables which were draped with harmonious colors.

The causes are threefold which combine to make drawing successful. No material is withheld which is needed for illustration. The superintendent and teachers are fully in sympathy with everything suggested by the director of drawing, and most admirably treat each successive phase of the course. The boys and girls for whose pleasure and profit we work repay us by their attention and application. Beyond this, we have been especially favored this year by the kindness of Mrs. Oliver Ames, Senior, who has presented the schools with some valuable gifts consisting of casts and silk and cotton textiles. Her kindness is deeply appreciated and the opportunity is offered to express our thanks, and also the pleasure and pride we take in the possession of so many beautiful things.

The casts are five in number—the familiar egg and dart moulding, so much used in modern as well as Grecian architecture; a Greek rendering of the Acanthus leaf, from a Corinthian capital; the Greek wave scroll, a type of æsthetic beauty; the Antefix of the Parthenon, and the Tudor rosette. These are in the high school and are used by the third year class in their light and shade study.

The gift also includes a large number of cheese cloths and crepes to be used as draperies in still life groups; a great variety of decorative cotton goods, including sateen, cretonne, denim, canvas, corded and open work goods, figured silks, and many neatly mounted samples of silk tapestries.

All the decorative material is used in color and design study.

The success of drawing would be greater if a half hour more could be allowed each week in the grammar grades. At present, one hour per week is the limit, while in surrounding cities and towns one hour and a half is the time devoted.

We not only want to give our schools the ideal course, and introduce them to all that nature, history, and story can offer, but we want to give them a reasonable amount of time to study and enjoy the truth and beauty found in these sources.

PENMANSHIP.

The best writing materials produce the best results; the paper that has a firm, smooth surface is most to be desired so no lint nor fibre may be taken from it by the pen when practicing free arm movement exercises.

The pens should be fine and of a superior quality, especially for the high school and the higher grammar grades.

The high school class made good use of the instruction given them, and the results were shown at the exhibition in Memorial Hall last June.

The blanks used in bookkeeping were good proofs that the writing was put to a practical use, and that the pupil was able to write well at all times.

Parents and friends who saw the porttolios containing the writing done by the pupils at the beginning of the year, also at the end of each succeeding term, and finally the last effort at the end of the school year, can best judge of the values of special instruction in good plain free movement penmanship.

To aid the appearance of the display the high school class during the last two weeks of June prepared some original designs in muscular movement scroll and oval work.

One design of "Old Glory" was admired by all and now hangs in an oak frame on the walls of the commercial class room. The navy was remembered by the ensign, jack and a pen sketch of a battleship. Various styles of penmanship, for various uses, were shown as well as numerous specimens of exercise work.

The present entering class of the high school came better prepared for their final development in penwork than the previous classes, and much time is given to the details, the explanation of forms and the principles upon which the letters are made. It is hoped if possible to show a marked advance over last year's work. With the best of material and earnest effort our next exhibit bids fair to rival the last.

A Grammar had a good display in the exhibit and the improvement shown in the work was a good example of what can be accomplished with the small expenditure of one-half hour each week for penmanship practice.

The present A class are developing in a very creditable manner and show remarkable interest in the explanations of details and trying to acquire an easy, graceful handwriting, written rapidly and with confidence, yet refraining from anything that tends toward a flashy or showy appearance.

B Grammar gave a well written set of papers for exhibition. This grade has but one-half hour each week for practice, and it would be of great benefit if the amount of time for writing could be doubled.

The present B class came very well prepared, having had four periods of thirty minutes each in the grade below. They will make fair improvement but not so marked a change

as they would with the amount of practice devoted to the work last year in C Grammar.

C Grammar of last year gave a remarkable exhibition in June. The speed tests taken by this grade were proof of the pupils' ability to retain the good form in letters while writing at the highest possible rate of speed. The improvement shown during the year will more than compare favorably with the seventh grades of other towns.

The development of the handwriting was very rapid and many pupils had formed a style which was better than the writing of many older persons. The present C class came from the lower room well prepared and are energetic and full of enthusiasm for the study.

The development of good positions of body, arm, hand and pen is quite noticeable and is due to the persistent and energetic efforts of the regular teacher to carry out the instructions given for each lesson.

D Grammar of last year displayed much interest in their penmanship work, and the improvement during the year gave evidence of many hours of hard work on the part of both pupil and teacher. The present D class is moving along with rapid strides in the formation of letters, and in every way show their interest and endeavor to gain the best possible results.

E Grammar has made decided improvement throughout the past year. Much written work is done by this grade, and it has been the desire of the instructor to produce in the every day written work of the pupil the same proficiency shown in the penmanship class. This has been accomplished to a satisfactory degree. The work in the exhibition was a credit to the grade, and the better preparation of the present class will aid materially in producing quicker results.

F Grammar class of last year furnished a very fine exhibit. The specimens of exercise work were decidedly well executed and the present class are now mastering many difficult forms producing work of excellent appearance. Much credit is due to the efforts of the regular teachers in fulfilling the instructions given for the execution of the work.

A Primary class of last year began writing with pen and ink for the first time. At the beginning, the work was somewhat difficult to execute well on account of the pupils being unaccustomed to the use of pens, but there was much improvement in the appearance of the work during the year, as was shown by the portfolio in the June exhibition. This year's class had accomplished fine letter formation in the grade below, and are now becoming well used to the pens, although much improvement will be made in letter formation to prepare them for exercise work in muscular movement when they enter the F Grammar grade.

B Primary accomplished much in penmanship work last year, especially in letter form. The advance made in form, regularity of slant and spacing and the confidence displayed by the pupils is due to the pains taken by the teachers and was shown by the graceful lines and firm strokes of the loop, stem and capital letters. The present class is making rapid progress and seem much interested in the study. Good positions of body, arms, hands and pencils prevail, tending to prepare the pupil better for the work with pen and ink in the next grade.

C Primary made much improvement last year in the letter formation, and the specimens on exhibition gave evidence of the painstaking efforts on the part of the teachers to produce the standard set for the grade. The present class are advancing with apparently much clearer conception of the

principles of letter forms than last year's class, and will produce some good specimens for the next exhibit.

D Primary did some excellent work. At the beginning of the year most of the pupils did not know their letters, while almost none could make written forms. At the end of the year the class gave many finely written specimens in verses and words of well formed letters. The care and patience of the teachers brought these results, and the present class is advancing rapidly showing the good efforts put forth by pupils and teacher. The work in this grade is difficult during the first part of the year, but the cheerfulness of teachers and pupils makes the lessons very pleasant for all, and as the children see the forms develop into useful letters they become much interested.

Much complaint was made last year by the teachers, of the manner in which the pupils wrote their names. Scholars were cautioned many times about careless signatures and finally it was decided that the pupils' names should be written in a plain, legible manner, where they could be seen at all times. The teacher of penmanship prepared three hundred cards, and the name of each pupil in the grammar grades was written upon a card, and the scholar has his card upon the desk during all writing exercises. There is no longer any complaint because scholars do not write names legibly, and the teacher feels repaid for the extra time spent in preparing the cards.

Too much credit cannot be given to the teachers of the various grades for their interest in the work, while their enthusiasm has much to do with the results produced, and keeps the pupils from finding the work monotonous.

Each regular teacher was presented with a copy of the following extract on writing, which was intended as an aid

to their work, and is appended here that parents may understand the principles upon which the penmanship work is based:—

"A teacher once said; 'My pupils write so much alike that you can hardly see any difference between their copy books. Empty boast! Such a result means injury to the development of the individuality of every pupil. Writing should be more than the mere letter formation. Our ideal in writing should be to train a free hand to move automatically in harmony with a free mind. Children have been trained to draw letters, not to write. We have sacrificed freedom to form, and then vainly hoped for freedom. We have restricted spontaneity by limiting lines, by direction lines, and by faint letters to be traced. We have cramped the fingers and confined the free movement of the arm, and the cramping and restriction have reacted on the souls of the children. We have made our pupils slow copyists and slavish imitators of writing; we should have given power to express thought rapidly on paper. The two elements in good writing are free rapid movement and accurate letter formation. We have striven for the second at the expense of the first, and in doing so we have weakened the character of the race.

Copying headlines like all conscious imitation tends to make a race of copyists of unreasonable imitators, who live and die in bondage to those who assume the right to do their thinking for them. The time must come when there shall be no more mere copying in learning to write, when writing shall be in mechanical execution as well as in thought expression, the representation of conceptions defined on paper by some other person.

The true test of writing is not the writing done while the mind is concentrated on the writing itself, but the writ-

ing done while the mind is filled with original thought which has to be expressed in written form.

Copying subordinates individuality, and prevents the true conception of the independence and responsibility of the human soul. All conscious imitation even of good is weakening. Let us then urge our pupils to stop tracing lines by the finger movement process and give way to free muscular movement, which when acquired can be easily perfected by correct letter formation."

THE SEWING SCHOOL.

Two hundred and sixteen girls have received instruction in sewing.

The following is the list of articles made in 1898:

Eighty-seven pillow cases, 136 towels, 14 roller towels, 102 large aprons, 2 large aprons with ruffles, 54 small aprons, 1 cooking apron, 5 kitchen aprons, 3 serving aprons, 3 hemstitched aprons, 1 sack apron, 2 Mother Hubbard aprons, 23 handkerchiefs, 6 hemstitched handkerchiefs, 2 corset covers, 3 bibs, 21 napkins, 23 pairs drawers, 29 flannel skirts, 14 cotton skirts, 3 sack night dresses, 3 Mother Hubbard night dresses, 1 infant's skirt and waist, 2 dress skirts, 42 bags, 2 tray cloths, 5 table cloths, 1 bolster case, 264 yards hemming, 8 yards stitching, 5 yards over seaming.

The classes contributed, for the June exhibit, a fine collection of ninety-two pieces, consisting of tray cloths, napkins, table cloths, various kinds of towels and aprons, sack and yoke night dresses, flannel and cotton skirts.

PHYSICAL TRAINING.

Physical training in this country, from the early part of

the century, was confined almost entirely to the colleges, and although the need of gymnastics was felt in the public schools, to keep pace with the ever increasing mental development, a decided step for its introduction was not taken in many places until after the year 1889.

During that year, a conference of the leading educators of this country and Europe was held in Boston to discuss the needs of the pupils in our schools, and by examining and comparing the different methods of training to select the best for our use.

The Boston School Board chose the Swedish or Ling system for its schools and the system was used with such success that cities and towns all over the country followed Boston's example and adopted the same system.

It is based on the most thorough knowledge of anatomy and physiology, so that the proper relation of the different parts of the body to each other; the best working of all the organs, especially of the heart and lungs; and the training of the nervous system, were not sacrificed to mere muscular strength.

Ling's method is best adapted to public schools, since no apparatus is required and the movements may be taken wherever there is room and fresh air. No time is spent learning a drill "by heart" after which it becomes automatic. There is a constant change of rhythm and of localization of work, while the most careful attention is paid to head and shoulders.

A distinguishing feature of the Ling system is the carefully graded progression by means of which the pupil is led from the simplest to the most complex and difficult positions and movements.

The Swedish system differs from any other in that the

movements are applied to words of command enabling the pupil to concentrate his mind on one thing at a time. They also teach the child to think quickly, to act quickly and to do a thing in the shortest possible time. The disciplinary training which comes from obeying words of command is also important.

Many people regard gymnastics more as a recreation than as an education and think they should take the place of a recess period. There could not be a greater mistake.

Gymnastic exercises are educational. They furnish a definite training of powers which require voluntary control of attention and effort on the part of the child. It may be just as hard for a child to do his gymnastics well as to keep his mind fixed on his Geography or Arithmetic.

For that reason they cannot be called a recreation and cannot take the place of recess which is a period of relaxation when all movements are spontaneous and involuntary.

The physical training lesson is only a recreation in so far as it is a change both for body and mind from the regular school work; and this training would not be needed so much were it not for the sedentary nature of school life with its tendency to weaken many of the physiological functions. These conditions are too important to be overlooked.

Some people say: "Oh, yes, the system does very well, but there is so little time—there are so many other studies we must have. But when we consider that all of these other, while most excellent for the mental development, have all one tendency physically, and that harmful, fifteen minutes a day spent in corrective exercises should not seem too much to give when the effect must be to equalize the circulation, straighten the back, square the shoulders, expand the chest, thus increasing the lung capacity and giving a feeling of mastery over the whole body.

SLOYD.

The total number of sloyd pupils for the year is two hundred and thirty-one and the number of models finished, eight hundred and ninety-five.

From March until the end of June six girls of the A grammar took the sloyd with the boys, and in September seven girls entered the class.

Of necessity the course at present for the girls differs from that for the boys, owing to no previous sloyd training. They are to be commended, however, for their perseverance and good work accomplished.

It has been proved that the average girl equals the average boy in the proper use of tools and ability in wood-working; and, in many cases, the girls are less easily satisfied with results.

In September whittling was introduced in the E grammar grade. Whittling is distinctly different from knife-work, which is done in a bent or sitting position with cramped muscular movements; while the whittling calls for a good standing position and *free* muscular movements.

The tools used are: knife, try square, rule, pencil, compass and sand paper.

In whittling as in knife-work the working drawings are made and used by the pupils.

The whittling exercises are: straight, cross and oblique whittling. Whittling convex and concave curves, cutting out square corners, cutting triangular incisions, right-angled triangles, modelling with knife, round and point whittling, and sand papering.

Models embodying these exercises are: rule, label, key-tag, pencil-sharpener, thread-winder, match-striker,

mat (hexagon), fish line winder, silk-winder, mat (quatrefoil), yarn winder, clay-modelling tool, letter opener, flower-pin, crochet needle, paper-knife, penholder and windmill.

The classes in the fall term were so large it became necessary to purchase four new benches, making the whole number twenty-five.

At the exhibition in June all the work of the pupils was shown with specimens of working drawing made by the pupils. The models exhibited were: wedge, flower-pin, plant-stick, letter-opener, hat-rack, pen-holder, tool-rack, coat-hanger, sleeve-board, corner bracket, key-board, flower-pot stand, paper-knife, flower-pot-stool, pen-tray, nail-box, towel roller, frame, shelf, brush-box, spade-cart, bread board, bench-hook, preserve paddle, work-box, and hatchet handle.

THE SCHOOL KITCHEN.

The classes this year have been larger than formerly. Two new tables have been added to the kitchen, making six in all, providing accommodations for fifty-four pupils divided into two classes. Sixty-one pupils have registered and the attendance has been excellent, averaging about fifty pupils.

The work has been marked by a deep, unflagging interest. The parents have been very helpful by allowing the children to practice the various dishes at home and in many instances have expressed themselves as pleased with the results.

Following are a few recipes, taken from the course and designed to show economical and nutritious ways of using

up odds and ends of meat and vegetables and also stale bread.

MINCED MEAT ON TOAST.

Remove fat, gristle and bone from any kind of light meat. Chop the lean meat fine. Season one cup of chopped meat with one saltspoon salt and a speck of pepper; moisten with thickened gravy; heat and pour over slices of toast Serve hot.

COTTAGE PIE.

Prepare and season as for minced meat. Put the prepared meat and gravy into a baking dish, (a little chopped onion may be added) cover with mashed potatoes and bake in a hot oven until golden brown.

HASH.

To every cup of finely chopped meat allow two cups of mashed potatoes. Season with salt and pepper and moisten with a little hot water, Mix until perfectly free from lumps. Melt one tablespoonful of beef drippings in a frying pan, add two tablepoonsfuls of hot water. Put in the hash and let it simmer until it has absorbed the water and a brown crust is formed. Do not stir it. Fold over and turn out on a hot platter.

RISSOLES.

Mix finely chopped meat with twice the quantity of bread or cracker crumbs. Season and moisten with a little gravy and a beaten egg. Form into balls or pear shaped croquettes. Put them in a baking pan. Put a little piece of fat on each and bake in a hot oven until brown. Or they may be dipped in egg, rolled in crumbs and fried in smoking hot fat. Serve with tomato sauce.

SCALLOPED MUTTON.

Cut cold cooked mutton into small, thin pieces. Put a layer of crumbs in the bottom of a baking dish, then a layer of mutton, then a layer of cooked macaroni, moisten with gravy; continue the layers until the dish is full. Stir one-third cup of crumbs into 1 tablespoon melted butter and spread over top of dish. Bake until the crumbs are brown.

MEAT PIE.

Cold meat or the tougher parts of uncooked meat may be cut into small pieces, dredged with flour and seasoned. Put into a baking dish; put enough boiling water in the dish to half fill. If uncooked meat is used, cover the dish and cook 1½ hours in a slow oven. Then cover with a biscuit dough and bake ½ hour longer. If cooked meat is used it may be covered with the dough at once and baked.

POTATO SOUP.

Mash 3 cups cold boiled potatoes. Put one teaspoon chopped onion into one pint milk and scald. Pour over the potatoes and rub through a strainer. Melt one tablespoon butter in a granite saucepan, stir into it one tablespoon flour, add the strained potato and milk, and cook five minutes, stirring all the time. Add salt and pepper to taste. Serve very hot with croutons. Celery may be used instead of onion.

CROUTONS.

Cut stale bread into half-inch dice; dry and brown in the oven. They will keep six months if kept in a dry place in a glass jar.

OAKES AMES INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL. KITCHEN.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation for salaries of Superintendent and teachers,	$13,000 00
Appropriation for fuel,	1,200 00
" " care of schoolhouses,	1,350 00
" " supplies and sundries, ($500 of this amount, appropriated in 1897, but not included in the report of that year.)	1,500 00
Income from Oliver Ames Fund,	1,858 19
Received from State, (1897)	224 00
" " " (1898)	352 50
" " Sharon,	24 00
" " Stoughton,	4 00
Moiety of dog tax,	769 78
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1898,	565 77
Total amount available for 1898,	$20,848 24

EXPENDITURES.

SALARIES.

Mr. Lamprey,	$1,500 00
Miss Winchester,	650 00
" Fairchild.	620 00
" Marshall,	450 00
Amount carried forward,	$3,220 00

Amount brought forward,	$3,220 00
Miss Canegaly,	366 00
" Walsh,	288 00
" Cavanaugh,	405 00
" O'Connell,	222 60
" Leonard,	312 00
" C. A. Keith,	450 00
" Knight,	384 75
" Hunt,	246 75
" Geddes,	138 10
" E. R. Leach,	20 00
" Bennett,	120 00
" L. E. Keith,	105 00
Mr. Maglathlin,	1,300 00
Miss H. L. Drake,	520 00
" M. A. Stone,	550 00
" Young,	447 50
" Lincoln,	376 00
" Reynolds,	500 00
" Morse,	650 00
" Higginbottom,	450 00
" King,	450 00
" Reardon,	500 00
" E. A. Leach,	327 00
" Conley.	314 00
" Murphy,	288 00
" Clark,	288 00
" Bird,	273 90
" C. T. Drake,	203 00
" C. A. Drake,	450 00
" Dickerman,	366 00
Amount carried forward,	$11,530 70

Amount brought forward,	$11,530 70
Miss Birnie,	359 25
" Lyons,	275 55
" H. V. Stone,	327 00
Mr. Shepardson,	260 00
Substitutes,	33 60
Oakes Ames Fund, ¼ salary, Mr. Colton, (Penmanship)	162 50
Oakes Ames Fund, ¼ salary, Miss Bailey, (Drawing)	50 00
	$15,998 60

FUEL.

J. C. Goward, coal,	$236 59
J. O. Dean & Co., coal,	823 30
E. B. Hayward, wood,	49 85
D. F. Clark, "	18 00
John Ervin, "	14 00
George Howard, "	9 00
D. S. Buck, "	6 00
A. E. Dunn, "	4 00
	$1,160 74

CARE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Oliver Ames High School,	$557 48
No. 1,	109 50
Amount carried forward,	$666 98

Amount brought forward,	$666 98
No. 2,	29 25
No. 3,	28 75
Union,	109 00
No. 6,	26 25
No. 7,	636 35
No. 8,	105 50
No. 9,	28 00
No. 10,	39 75
	$1,669 83

SUPPLIES AND SUNDRIES.

J. J. O'Connor, stationery,	$54 75
G. S. Perry & Co., stationery,	268 71
F. G. Keith, small supplies,	15 56
A. B. Anderson, pumping water from basement No. 7,	8 00
Robinson's Express,	32 14
Easton Bulletin Co., printing and supplies,	65 40
J. L. Hammett & Co., stationery,	136 53
Knott Apparatus Co., supplies.	10 52
North Easton Water Works,	203 66
N. Y. & Boston Despatch Express Co.,	43 65
Boston Music Co., sheet music,	3 34
E. E. Babb & Co., stationery,	5 75
Alfred Mudge & Son, diplomas,	15 00
R. J. Kimball, map,	3 00
L. C. Randall, work cellar No. 1,	7 00
Amount carried forward,	$743 01

Amount brought forward,	$743 01
Gilbert & Barker, gasolene,	9 27
A. L. Bennett, small supplies, No. 6,	1 00
R. W. Gifford, expenses, speaker at graduation,	4 00
Jordan, Marsh & Co., towelling and ribbon,	16 78
Silver, Burdett & Co., music,	8 80
Superintendent, postage, telegrams, car fares, supplies, school business out of town, etc.,	88 59
Lamprell & Marble, repairing flags,	6 38
J. J. McCarthy, moving piano,	1 00
B. F. Wood, music, sheet music,	77
W. W. Hayward, repairing and tuning organs,	25 00
W. H. Caldwell, picture frames,	4 00
Mrs. H. C. Williams, ribbon,	1 63
Brockton Book Bindery, mucilage,	9 00
L. H. Smith, repairing clocks,	6 50
Samuel Ward Co., stationery,	29 85
John Ervin, express,	50
T. W. Norman & Co., glass,	1 50
Oliver Ditson Co., sheet music,	66
E. L. Kellogg & Co., Ed. Magazine for Training School,	1 00
Wright & Potter, labor certificates,	4 00
H. R. Guild, library paper,	8 70
A. Storrs & Bement, artists' paper,	4 00
Bernard Saxton, pictures Washington and Lincoln,	5 40
Amer. Bk. Co., spelling blanks,	3 20
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., drawing paper,	5 40
Boston School Supply Co., stationery,	18 34
Amount carried forward,	$1,010 18

Amount brought forward,	$1,138 28
Bureau of Amer. Republics, directory,	5 00
Oakes Ames Fund, ¼ costs supplies for Penmanship and Drawing,	62 50
Dr. F. C. Starbuck, services, Union School,	1 50
M. C. Lamprey, small supplies,	1 15
Oliver Ames & Sons' Corporation, supplies,	67 65
G. G. Withington & Co., chemicals,	2 20
Walworth Manufacturing Co., apparatus,	1 58
F. M. Randall, repairs on flag pole No. 1,	8 75
	$1,288 61

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts from all sources,		$20,848 24
Paid for salaries,	$15,998 60	
" " fuel,	1,160 74	
" " care,	1,669 83	
" " supplies,	1,288 61	
Total for expenditures to Dec. 31, 1898,		$20,117 78
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1899,		$730 46

TEXT BOOKS.

American Book Co., arithmetic, grammar, music, literature,	$249 29

Amount brought forward,	$249 29
E. E. Babb & Co., geography, political economy, civics, history,	121 75
Ginn & Co., mathematics, reading, French and literature,	139 82
Thompson, Brown & Co., algebra, geometry, arithmetic,	32 86
Silver, Burdett & Co., reading, history, civics, music,	64 76
Morse Company, maps, spellers, readers,	55 25
Allyn & Bacon, Latin, French, literature,	39 68
Columbia Book Co., gography,	20 16
Lothrop Publishing Co., primers,	1 40
D. L. Brownell, civil government,	3 00
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, literature,	4 71
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., literature,	2 04
Educational Publishing Co., literature,	13 80
New England Publishing Co., pedagogics,	1 25
Henry D. Noyes, speaker,	50
Williard Small, dictionaries,	5 00
T. H. Castor & Co, French, readers, history,	7 44
Werner School Book Co., geography,	1 12
F. S. Blanchard & Co., Massachusetts year book,	1 50
Brockton Book Bindery, books rebound,	33 35
William Ware & Co., dictionary, arithmetic,	9 50
D. C. Heath & Co., record book,	98
University Publishing Co., readers,	6 48
O. M. Powers, bookkeeping,	70
Rand, McNally & Co., geography,	6 00
Maynard, Merrill & Co., classics,	90
	$823 25

Appropriation,	$800 00
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1898,	97 00
	$897 00
Expenditures to Dec. 31, 1898,	823 25
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1899,	$73 75

TRANSPORTATION.

H. E. Phillips,	$564 00
E. N. Fisher,	610 40
J. J. McCarthy,	105 00
Jane D. Bennett,	17 10
Clara R. Packard,	17 20
Alice McDermott,	10 60
Dennis F. O'Leary,	10 60
Timothy O'Leary,	6 80
	$1,341 70
Expended,	$1,341 70
Appropriation,	1,300 00
Overdrawn,	$41 70

EVENING SCHOOL.

E. S. Colton, Jr., for teaching,	$196 22

Amount brought forward,	$196 22
F. G. Keith, janitors' fees,	30 00
Edwin E. Babb & Co., supplies,	27 08
G. S. Perry & Co., slate blackboard,	16 00
Williams & Rogers, spellers,	3 36
A. Mudge & Son, diplomas,	3 50
O. Ames & Sons' Corporation, gasoline (1897),	20 36
Gilbert & Baker, gasolene,	35 19
	$331 71
Appropriation,	$500 00
Expended,	331 71
Balance unexpended,	$168 29

FURNITURE.

Walter D. Packard, bookcase,	$15 00
G. S. Perry & Co., desks and seats,	202 10
	$217 10
Expended,	$217 10
Appropriation,	200 00
Overdrawn,	$17 10

REPAIRS.

G. H. DeWitt, steps No. 1, piazza Union, and minor repairs, Nos. 7 and 9,	$251 59

Amount brought forward,	$251 59
J. W. Baldwin, repairs Nos. 1, 7 and 8,	103 55
E. E. Kelley, repairs High, Nos. 1, 7 and 9,	75 65
John Baldwin, painting No. 8,	50 00
N. P. Pierson, cement and labor, No. 8,	70 00
G. S. Perry, "built in" blackboards,	87 28
F. G. Keith, repairs and ventilators, Nos. 2, Union, 7, 9,	29 18
C. Daley, concreting No. 7,	27 50
J. M. Thayer, heater, radiator and repairs, Union and No. 8,	121 20
Fred Hanson, urinals No. 7,	15 00
E. W. Foster, small repairs No. 2,	2 70
H. W. Willis, small repairs No. 6,	5 00
H. W. Jones, small repairs No. 7,	2 00
H. L. Howard, small repairs No. 1,	9 23
L. Bonney, general repairs Nos. 2, 3, 9,	26 03
Keith & Thompson, repairs Nos. 1, Union, High,	40 33
	$916 24
Appropriation,	$1,000 00
Expended,	916 24
Balance unexpended,	$83 76

THE OAKES AMES BEQUEST.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from Report, 1897,	$2,088 84
Interest on balance at 4½ per cent.,	94 00
Dividends,	3,500 00
From Town of Easton, ¼ cost Penmanship,	200 00
From Town of Easton, ¼ cost Drawing,	75 00
	$5,957 84

Amount brought forward,	$5,957 84
EXPENDITURES.	
Lectures,	$182 90
Magazines,	399 60
Salary of Teacher of Penmanship,	650 00
Salary of Teacher of Drawing,	200 00
Salary of Teacher of Sloyd,	400 00
Expenses of Teacher of Sloyd,	59 20
Salary of Principal Teacher of Sewing,	234 00
Salary of Assistant Teacher of Sewing,	156 00
Salary of Teacher of Cooking,	204 00
Salary of Principal of Kindergarten,	400 00
Salary of Assistant in Kindergarten,	195 00
Salary of Teacher of Physical Training,	130 70
Extra Compensation, No. 7 teachers,	450 00
Janitor's fees,	39 00
Industrial Exhibition,	32 91
Supplies,	371 02
Fuel,	12 38
Repairs,	52 56
Printing,	3 65
	$4,172 92
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1899,	1,784 92
	$5,957 84

Presented to Scholars outside of District No. 7 by Messrs. W. H. and Oakes Ames:

St. Nicholas,	$74 00
Youth's Companion,	119 75
Our Little Ones,	35 00
	$228 75

ABSTRACTS OF SCHOOL REGISTERS FOR THE YEAR 1897-8.

SCHOOL TERMS.		Whole Number.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.
High	Fall	94	89.2	84 2	94.4
	Winter	93	87.8	82.1	93.5
	Spring	86	84 3	79	93.7
No. 1. Grammar	Fall	42	38.7	36.6	94
	Winter	39	38.4	36.5	95
	Spring	43	40.8	38	93
No. 1. Primary	Fall	37	34.7	32.1	92
	Winter	38	35.2	31.4	89
	Spring	42	38.5	35.5	92
No. 2 Ungraded	Fall	35	32.5	30	91
	Winter	42	40	36.3	90 7
	Spring	43	41.3	38	92
No. 3 Ungraded	Fall	23	19	17.8	93
	Winter	22	21	19 3	91
	Spring	21	20.7	19	91.5
Union Grammar	Fall	38	35.2	31.3	90
	Winter	35	33 7	30.2	90
	Spring	32	31.4	28 7	91
Union Primary	Fall	63	50.5	47.5	94
	Winter	51	41.5	37.4	90
	Spring	60	54.7	50 9	93
No. 6 Ungraded	Fall	11	10.5	8	76.2
	Winter	11	9.3	7.7	83
	Spring	12	10.5	9 5	90
No. 7 all grades,	Fall	527	483.6	451,1	93.3
	Winter	507	474.2	438.5	92.5
	Spring	537	509.7	479.6	94
No. 8 Grammar	Fall	31	27.5	26.2	95.2
	Winter	28	27.9	25.9	92 7
	Spring	24	23.5	21.2	87.7
No. 8 Primary	Fall	24	22	20	89
	Winter	22	21	18	85
	Spring	21	20.5	18	87
No. 9 Ungraded	Fall	46	43	40.2	93
	Winter	44	43.4	40.2	92
	Spring	47	43	38.5	90
No. 10 Ungraded	Fall	23	21	20	95
	Winter	24	22	20	92
	Spring	24	23	22	96
Evening School	Fall	26	20 5	15.9	77.5
	Winter	21	18.7	12 9	70
	Spring	9	8.4	5.6	66.7

TABLE FOR NO. 7.

SCHOOL TERMS.	Whole Number.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent of Attendance.
A Grammar:				
Fall	30	27	26	96
Winter	29	28	27	96
Spring	26	25	24	96
B Grammar:				
Fall	41	36	35	96
Winter	38	37	34	92
Spring	38	36	34	94.5
C Grammar:				
Fall	48	42 9	40.9	95
Winter	46	44 1	42 1	95
Spring	44	43.6	41.9	96
D Grammar:				
Fall	51	45.1	42	92
Winter	50	48.2	44 6	92
Spring	52	49 5	45 7	92
E Grammar:				
Fall	56	505	45 6	90
Winter	56	54	49	89
Spring	53	51.6	49.1	95
F Grammar:				
Fall	58	56	53	94.8
Winter	57	55	52.5	95
Spring	58	56	53.7	95.8
A Primary:				
Fall	54	51.5	49	94
Winter	53	50	47	94
Spring	54	51	49	95
B Primary:				
Fall	59	55 5	51.9	93
Winter	57	52.7	48.8	92.6
Spring	59	58.3	54.6	92.6
C Primary:				
Fall	43	41	38.3	93
Winter	42	38.8	35.6	92
Spring	45	40.8	38.7	94
D Primary:				
Fall	43	39 1	36.4	92 7
Winter	41	35.5	31.9	89.7
Spring	67	62 9	58 9	93.7
Kindergarten:				
Fall	44	39	33	82
Winter	38	30	26	86 6
Spring	41	35	30	85.7

NAMES OF PUPILS PRESENT EVERY HALF DAY FOR ONE TERM.

High School.

Genevieve Beale.
Catherine A. Carroll.
Abbie F. Gilliatt.
W. Alden Hall.
Roy W. Hurst.
Samuel W. Marshall.
Ruth Mitchell.
Gertrude Murphy.
James Osgood.
Elmer L. Randall.
Bertha L. Swift.
Laurence J. Travers.
Annie C. Vaughn.

South Easton, Grammar.

Mildred S. Dean.
Alfred L. Hurst.
M. Rhoda Hurst.
Beulah Mitchell.
Kenneth Mitchell.
Helen G. Sackett.
Cleon E. Smith.

South Easton, Primary.

Mary P. Brophy.
Frank C. Johnson.
Florence L. Randall.
Guy Wilson.

Eastondale School.

Marion E. Currier.
Walter L. Currier.
Ernest Dale.
George F. Leighton.
Della M. Murphy.
Shirley E. Fisher.
J. Leon Harmond.
Emma L. Howard.

South End School.

Kenneth Hayward.
Elizabeth Pratt.
Agnes Soule.
Elmer Soule.

Easton Furnace, Grammar.

Clinton King.
Daisy Jones.

Easton Furnace, Primary.

Daniel Geddes.
Minnie Quinn.
Mary Williams.

North Easton, A Grammar.

Daniel Butler,
Thomas A. Campion,
Louise E. Canegaly,
Winnifred Cunningham,
Mary F. Fitzgerald,
Grace F. Gardner.
Blanche E. Holbrook.

North Easton, B Grammar.

Albert F. Allen,
Christie A. Jennings.

North Easton, C Grammar.

Algodt Anderson,
William Conn,
Nellie J. Clark,
F. Guild Dana,
Michael Desmond,
Harry Gibbs,
Mary L. Walsh,
James Kent,
James Linnehan,
John McNamara,
John O'Connell,
Bertha Pierson,
John J. Vaughn,
Ralph C. Williams.

NORTH EASTON, D GRAMMAR.

Arthur Anderson,
Marie Harlow,
Daniel Linnehan,
Mary Maliff,
Angelina McKenna,
Maggie Riley,
Rosella Travers,
Alice Wenstrom.

NORTH EASTON, E GRAMMAR.

Justin Keith,
Archie Louzon,
William Nagle,
Mary O'Connell.

NORTH EASTON, F GRAMMAR.

Delia Buckley,
Margaret Campion,
Julia Cotter,
Annie Derby,
Isabella Hayes,
Amanda Hoglin,
Clarence Johnson,
Margaret Linnehan,
Annie McCann,
George Middleton,
Susie Middleton,
Ralph Packard,
William Robinson.

NORTH EASTON, A PRIMARY.

James Burke,
May Carr,
Thomas Downie,
Mabel Harvey,
Patrick Kelleher,
Frank Maliff,
Mary Malloy,
Josephine Middleton,
John Molander,
Jessie Niklason,
Harry Pierson.

NORTH EASTON, B PRIMARY.

Edwin Anderson,
Mary Callahan,
Edward Ebbs,
John Harlow,
Leo Healey,
Hilma Holm,
Hjalmar Johnson,
Vera Lawson,
Florence Lunn,
May Scrivens,
Mary Spillane.

NORTH EASTON, C PRIMARY.

George Anderson,
William Clonan,
Mary Linnehan,
Field Lynch,
Catherine Murphy,
Ethel Nichalson,
Fred Nystrom,
Chester Styren.

NORTH EASTON, D PRIMARY.

Harry Anderson,
John Healey,
Carrie Larsson,
Alfred Molander,
Louis Pierson,
Nellie Spillane,
Mildred Spooner,
Hilda Sundling.

NORTH EASTON KINDERGARTEN.

John Blake,
Rena Carr,
Mary Downey,
Dorothy Sylvester.

UNIONVILLE GRAMMAR.

Walter Baldwin,
Anna Marshall,
Helen Marshall,
Robert Watts,
Clair Wells,
Fred Webster.

UNIONVILLE PRIMARY.

Joseph W. Baldwin,
Willie Marshall,
Pearl Pinkham.

EASTON CENTER SCHOOL.

Bertha E. Caldwell,
Arthur E. Dunn,
Everett A. Dunn,
Mary A. Furlong,
William M. Furlong,
Honora Moran,
Edward J. Nolan,
James J. Nolan,
Martin Nolan,
Winnifred L. Smith,

Edith M. Harvey, Ellen Washburn,
Annie Moran, Florence Washburn.

Bay Street School.

Harold Hunt, Clifford E. Manchester,
Winnifred B. Littlefield, Nora M. Manchester,
Fred F. White.

NAMES OF PUPILS PRESENT EVERY HALF DAY FOR TWO TERMS.

High School.

Jennie Gifford, Harriet J. Nye.

South Easton Grammar.

John E. Cunningham, William L. Johnson,
Olive M. Heath, Horace H. Mitchell.

South Easton Primary.

Malcolm J. Hill, Annie S. Hurst.

Eastondale School.

Ernest T. Currier.

South End School.

Roy Hayward.

North Easton A Grammar.

Mary W. O'Connor, Mary J. Schindler,
Nellie N. Slattery.

NORTH EASTON B GRAMMAR.

Herman Anderson, Ellen Riley,
Clarence V. Galligan, James Sweeney,
Rosa Louzon, Huldah Swanson.

NORTH EASTON C GRAMMAR.

David Middleton, Leo M. Harlow,
John W. Cotter.

NORTH EASTON D GRAMMAR.

Veronica Long.

NORTH EASTON E GRAMMAR.

Catherine Dailey, Bertram Keith,
Clyde Lindsay.

NORTH EASTON F GRAMMAR.

Susie Burns, Clarence Johnson,
James Downey, Alice Slattery.

NORTH EASTON A PRIMARY.

Fred Maliff.

NORTH EASTON C PRIMARY.

Richard Maliff, Agnes Lawson,
Rena Sylvester.

NORTH EASTON D PRIMARY.

Andrew P. Harvey.

NORTH EASTON KINDERGARTEN.

Laura Louzon.

Unionville Grammar.

Nellie Logan, Lena Pinkham.

Easton Center School.

Alton L. Coldwell, Albert N. Moore,
Bernard M. Nolan.

Bay Street School.

Roy F. Gooch, Bertha M. Smith.

NAMES OF PUPILS PRESENT EVERY HALF DAY FOR THREE TERMS.

High School.

James F. Cunningham, Carrie L. Soule,
Charles P. Savary, H. Leslie Tinkham.

South Easton, Grammar.

Annie M. Beattie, Louise H. Newton,
Ethel M. DeNeves.

Eastondale School.

George Cullen, Willie Strahan,
Thomas Cullen, Henry W. Wakeley.

Easton Furnace, Grammar.

Fred Beal, Sarah Diamond,
Bertha Harvey.

North Easton, A Grammar.

Earl W. Keith, Wilfred H. Savary.

North Easton, B Grammar.

Harriet S. DeWitt, Jennie D. Middleton,
Nora C. Murphy.

North Easton, D Grammar.

Jennie Burns, Vernon King,
Willie McFarland.

North Easton, E Grammar.

Dorris King, Josephine Louzon.

North Easton, F Grammar.

Monica Long,

North Easton, A Primary.

Joseph Downey.

North Easton, B Primary.

Annie Kelley.

North Easton, D Primary.

Lewis P. Howard.

Unionville, Grammar.

Gladys Wells.

Bay Street School.

Inez M. Gooch, Mildred E. Gooch.